

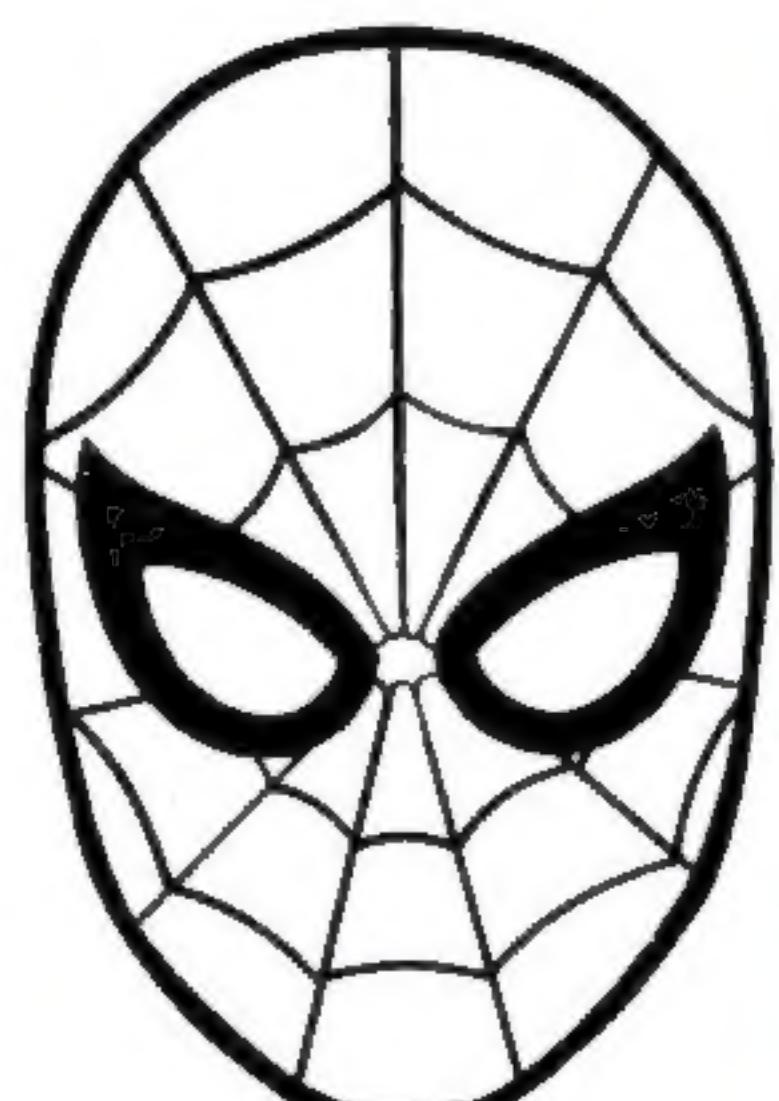
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THIS IS GENOSHA, AN ISLAND NATION LYING JUST EAST OF AFRICA. ITS CAPITAL, HAMMER BAY, IS, IN MANY WAYS, A MODEL CITY, FREE OF THE CRIME AND RACIAL STRIFE THAT PLAGUE OTHER METROPOLISES. BUT ITS PEACE AND PROSPERITY, THE RESULT OF THE EXPLOITATION OF SUPER-POWERED SLAVES CALLED MUTATES, HAVE BEEN SHATTERED BY A CONFLICT WITH A UNION OF INTERNATIONAL MUTANT HEROES COLLECTIVELY KNOWN AS THE X-MEN.

TWO MAGISTRATES HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED, NAKED AND UNCONSCIOUS IN A LOCAL PARK, AND TWO OF THE INVADING MUTANT TERRORISTS HAVE BEEN CAPTURED.

MORE ARE BELIEVED TO BE IN THE VICINITY, AND A STATE OF CIVIL EMERGENCY HAS BEEN DECLARED, AND A CURFEW ESTABLISHED.

MAN, JEFFY, I WISH WE HAD A TELE-MUTATE. EVEN THE BORING OLD NEWS IS COOL WHEN HE HOLOGRAPHICALLY PROJECTS IT IN 3-D...

...LOTS NEATER THAN ON TV.

IT'S JUST THAT MY DAD'S A GOVER'MENT OFFICER AN' HE NEEDS IT FOR HIS WORK.

NO WONDER THE X-MEN TERRORISTS CAME INTO GENOSHA AN' STOLE A MUTATE A WHILE BACK.\*

\*IN X-MEN #236-238.  
--BOB

THAT'S WHAT MY DAD SAYS STARTED THIS CONFLICT.

HEY, LOOK! TWO MAGISTRATES-- IN RIOT GEAR-- WITH A MUTATE-SENSITIVE TRACKER.

SEVERAL OF THE TERRORISTS HAVE BEEN SIGHTED IN THIS AREA. YOU KIDS GET INSIDE-- PRONTO!

WOW, AWESOME! BET THERE'S A BATTLE RIGHT HERE IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD.


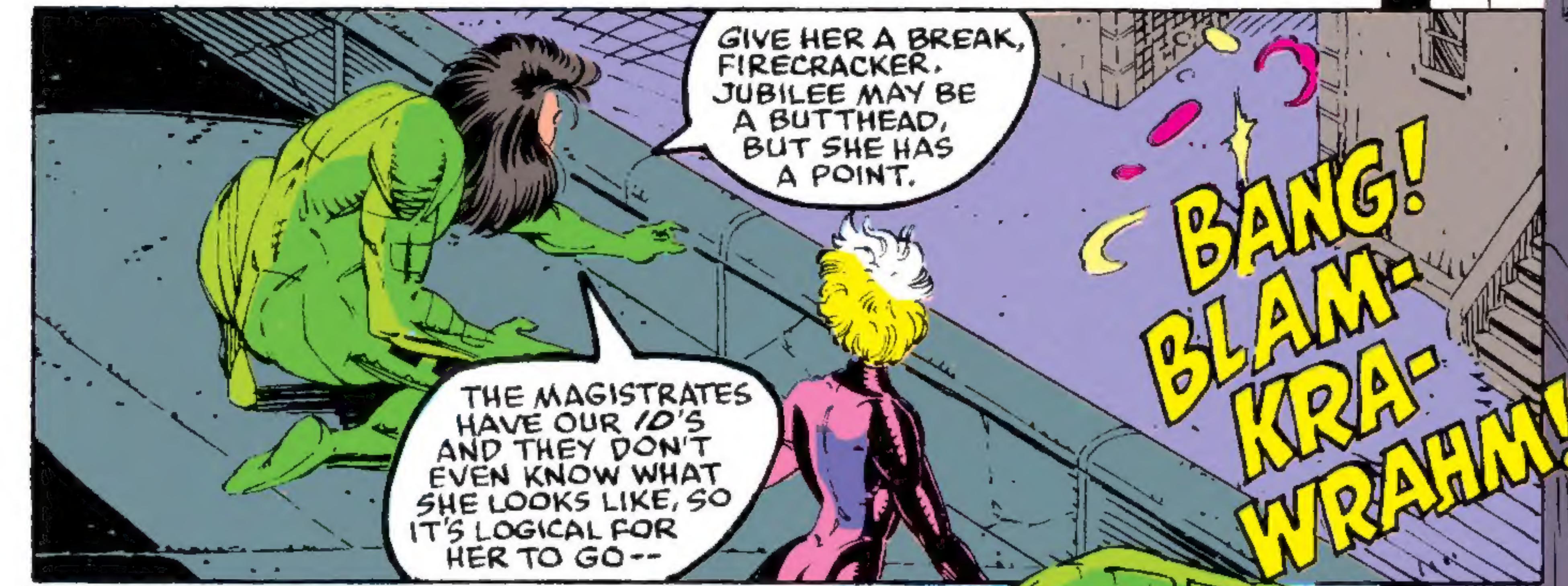
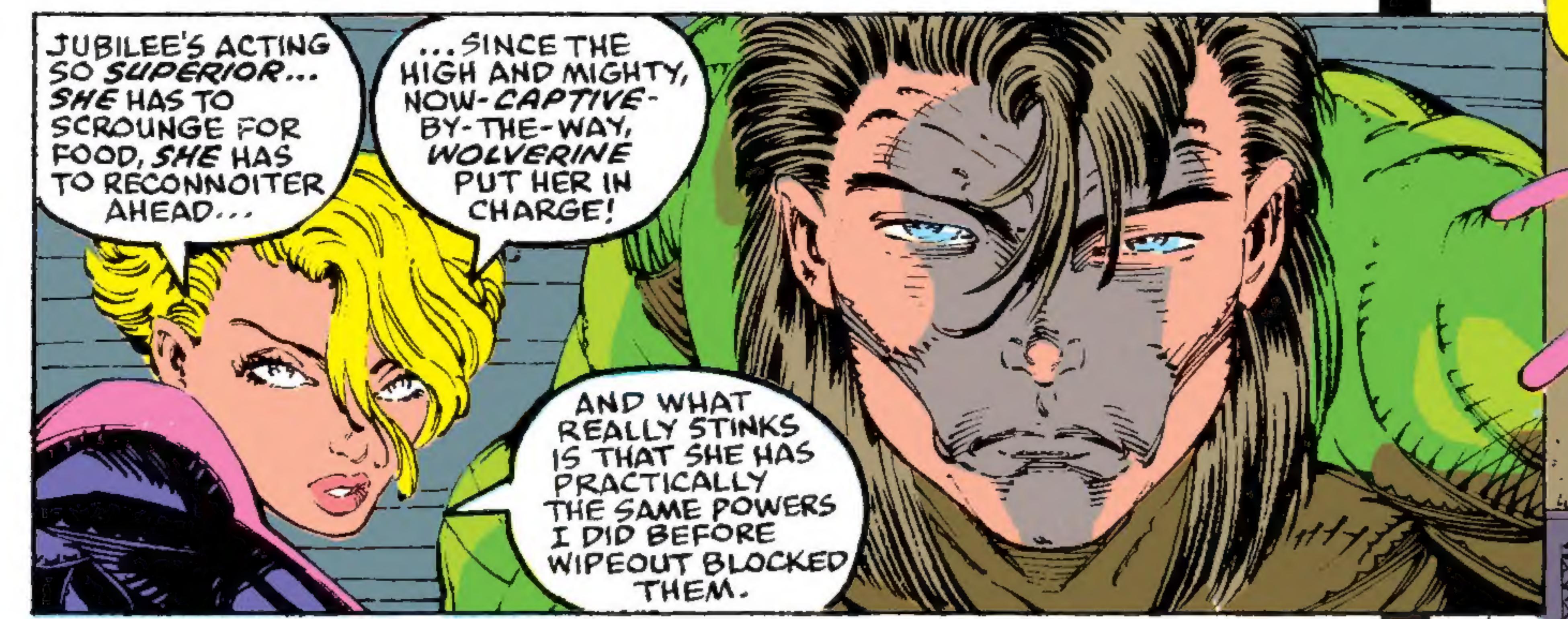
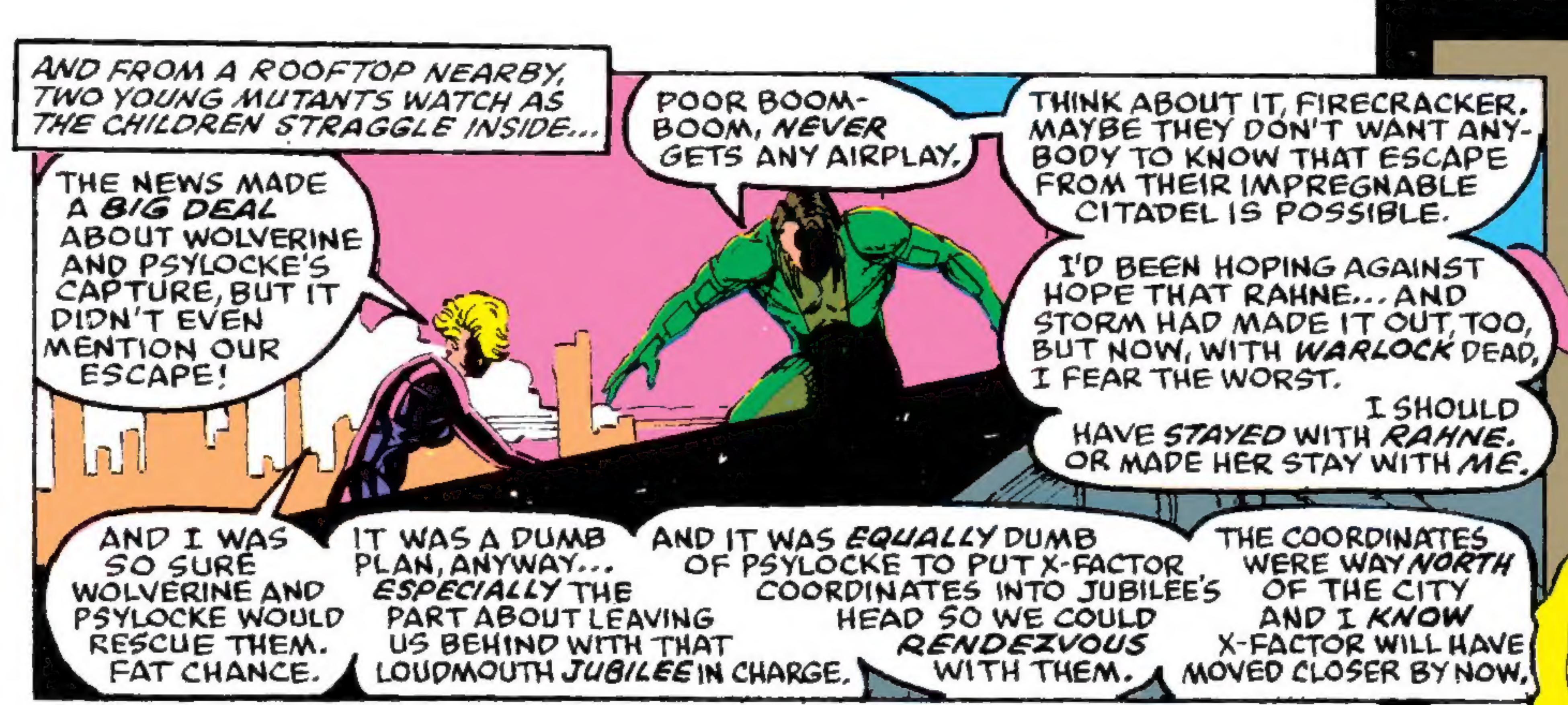
GENOSHA MAY BE A SMALL COUNTRY, BUT WE SURE DON'T LET OURSELVES BE PUSHED AROUND.

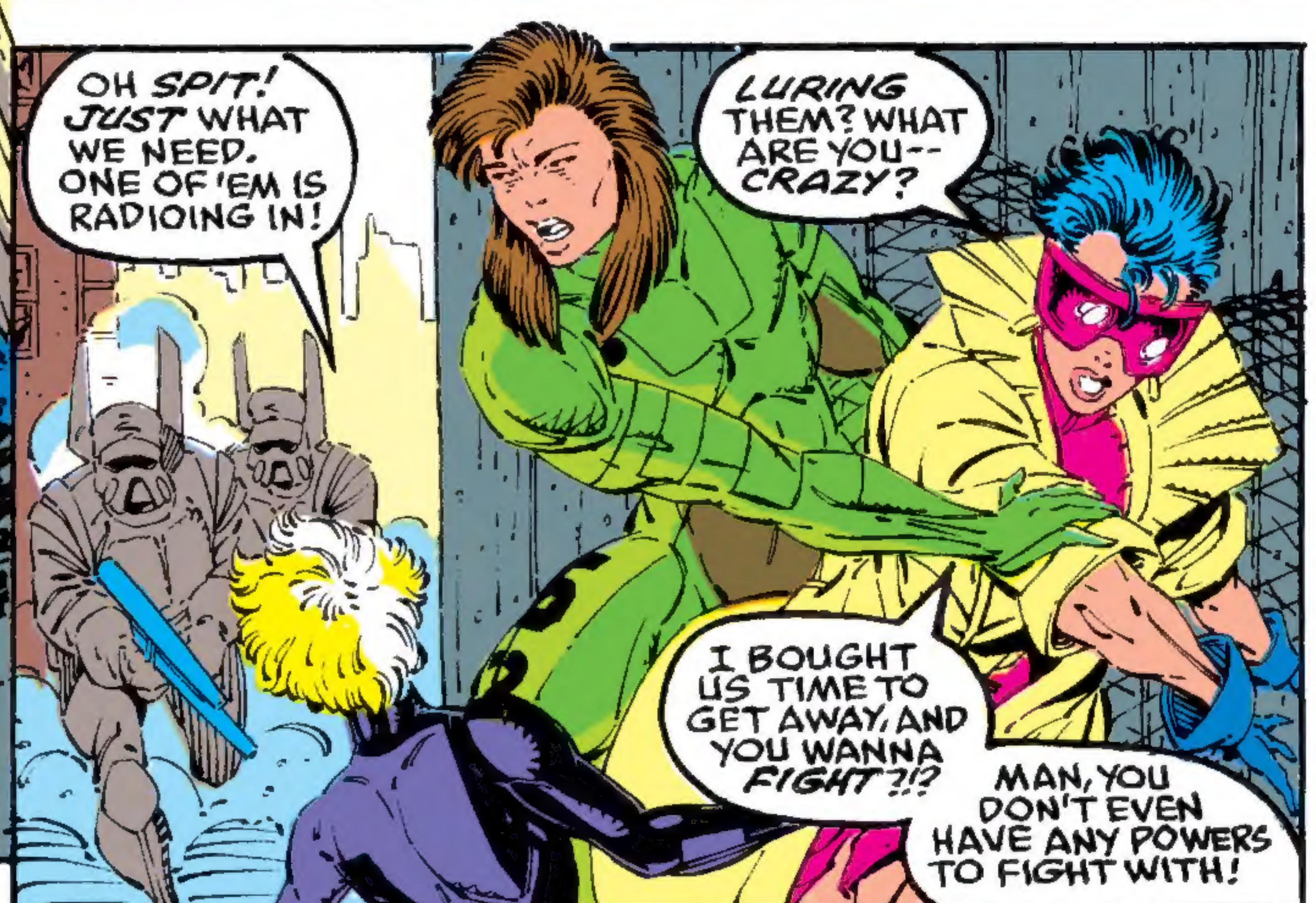
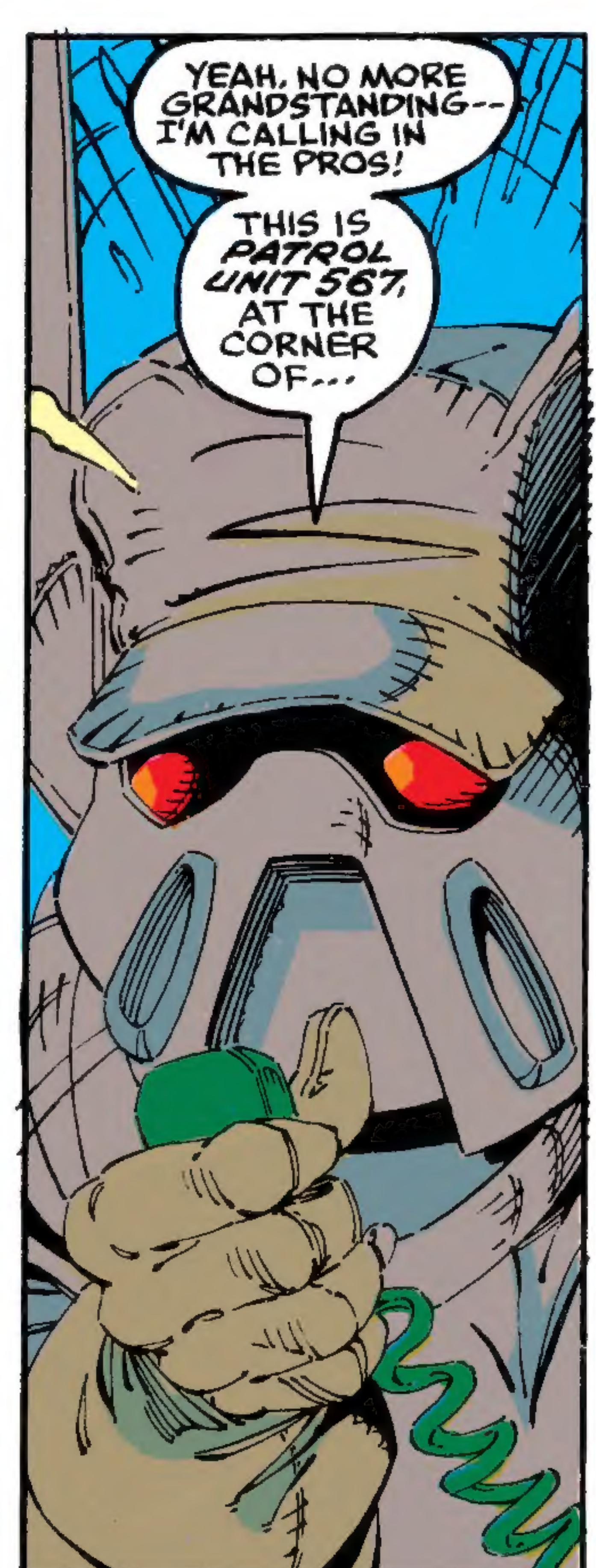
NO WAY. WE'LL PROTECT OUR PROPERTY AN' PUNISH ANY TERRORISTS AN' BEAT ANY INVADERS-- HANDS DOWN!

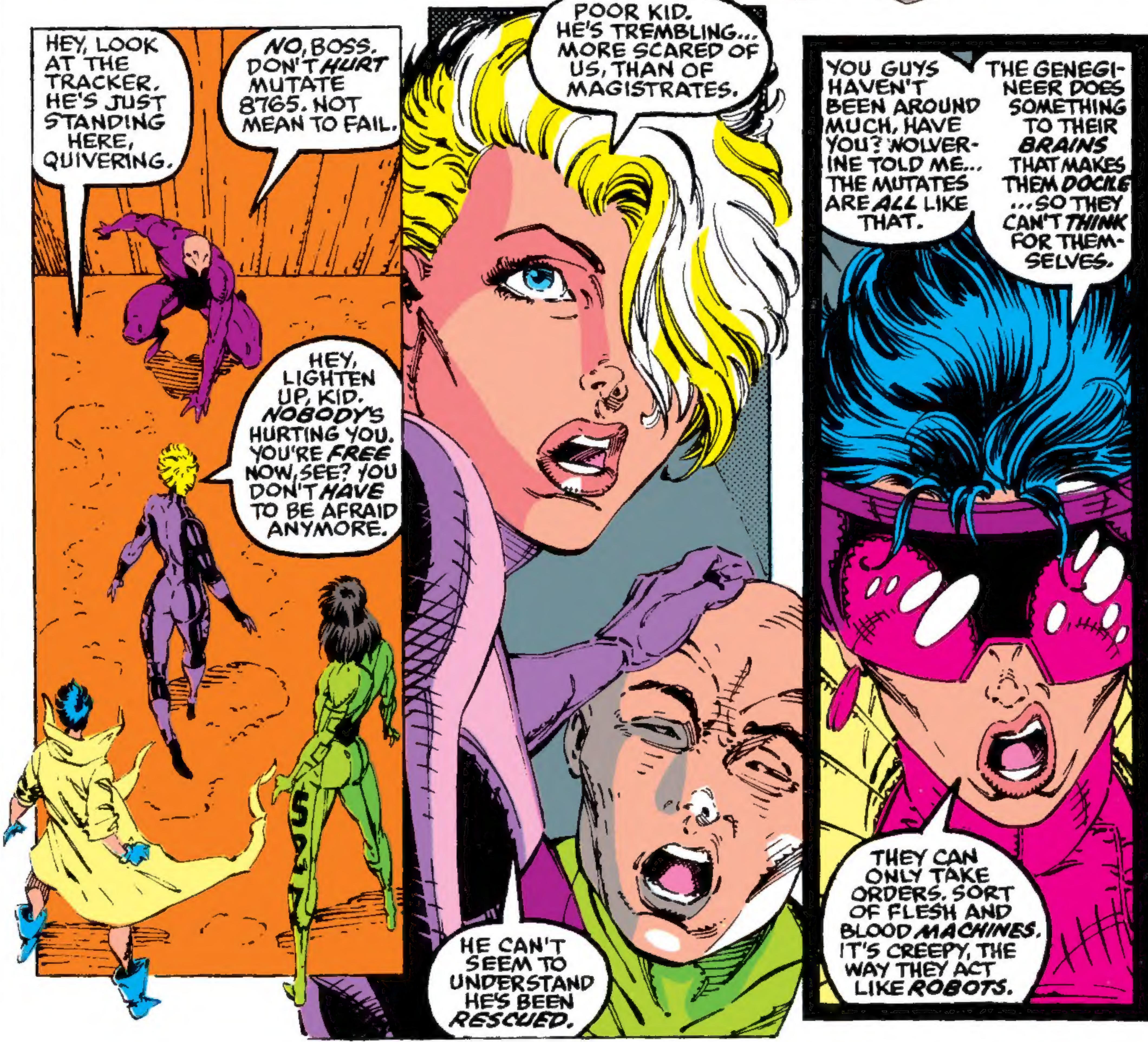
SO MUCH FOR THE KIDS' POINT OF VIEW. I ONLY WISH IT WAS THAT SIMPLE.

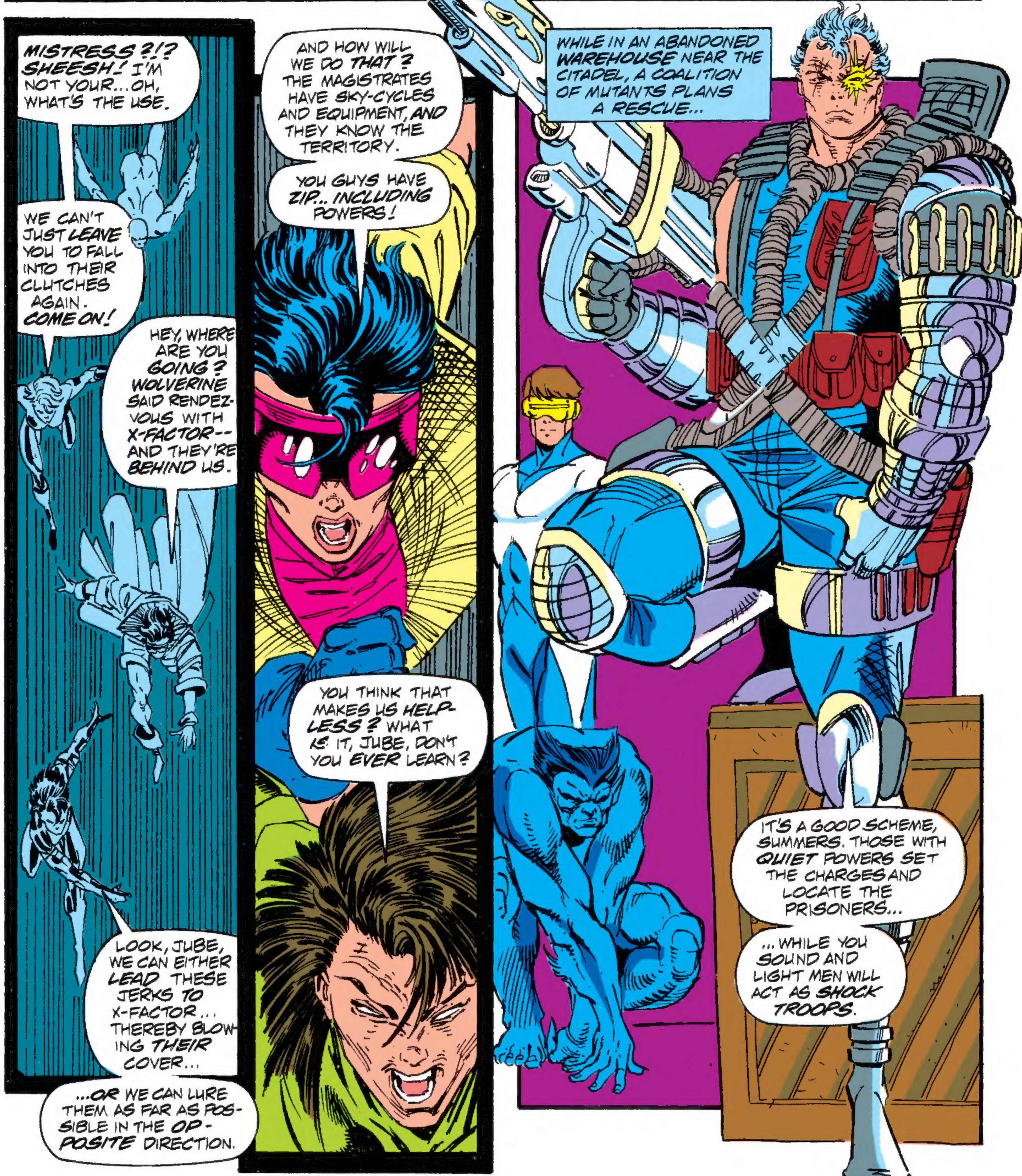
DIG IT, FRANK, THE TRACKER'S GETTIN' EXCITED. HE'S ONTO SOMETHING.

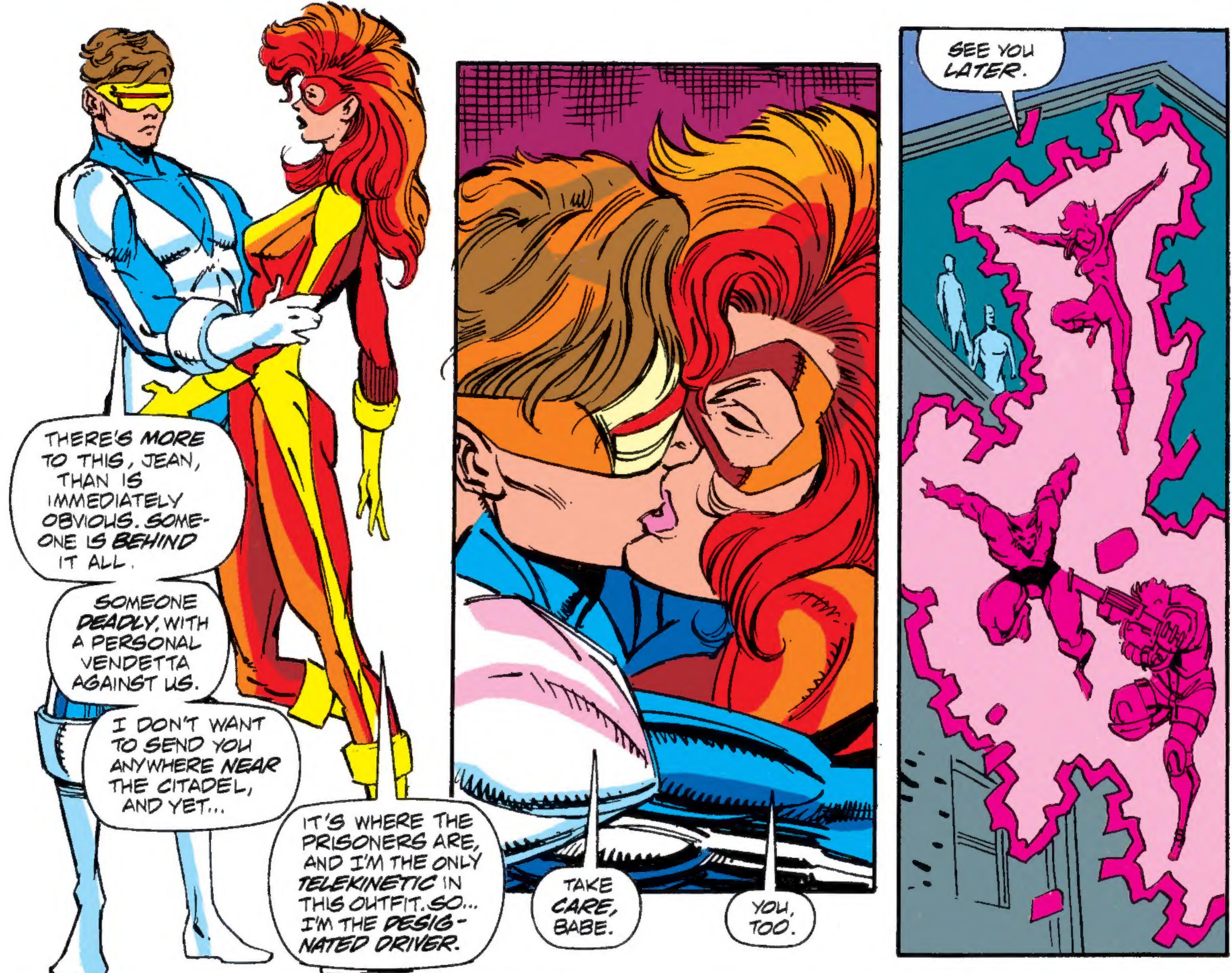
COME ON.

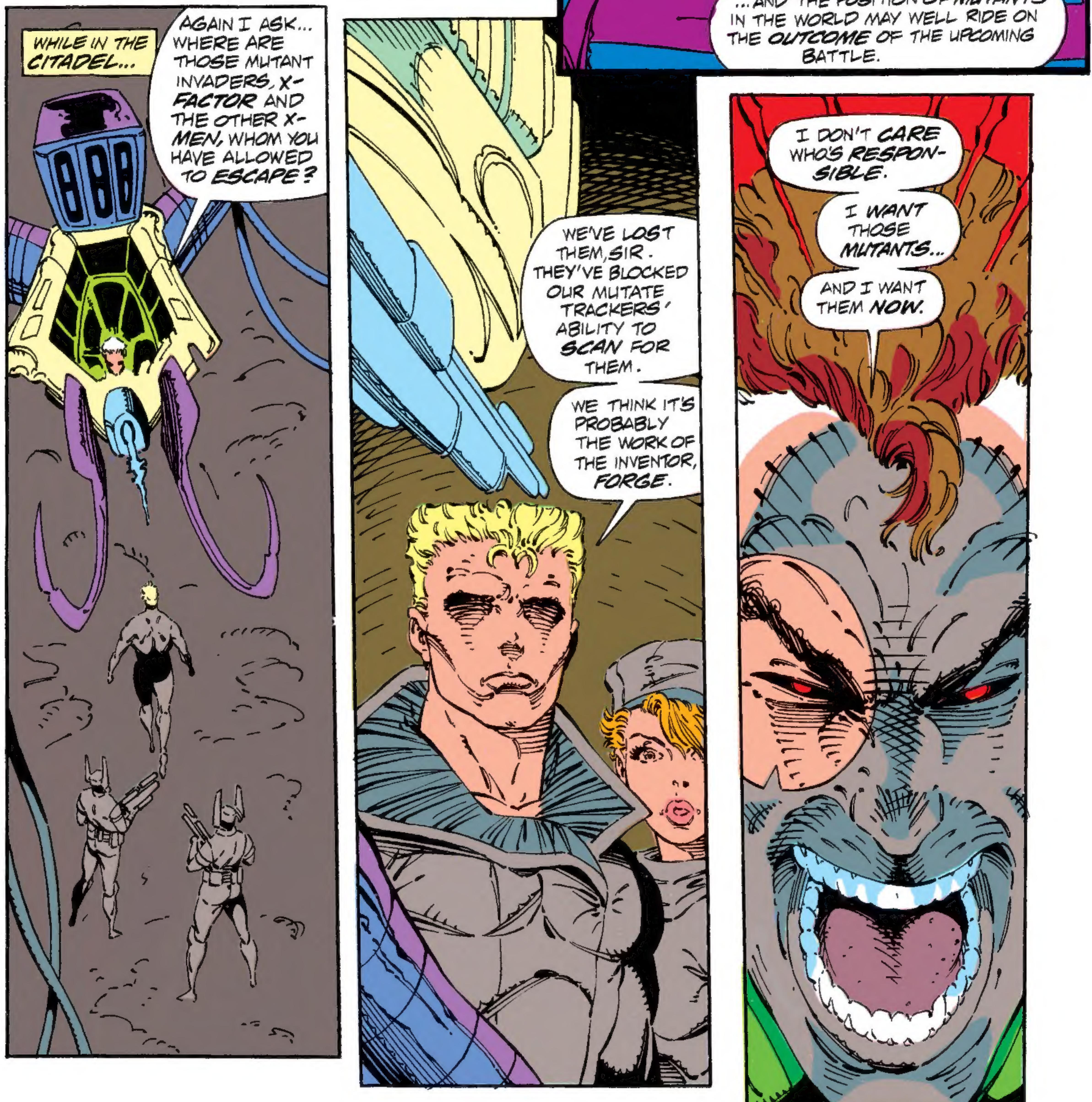
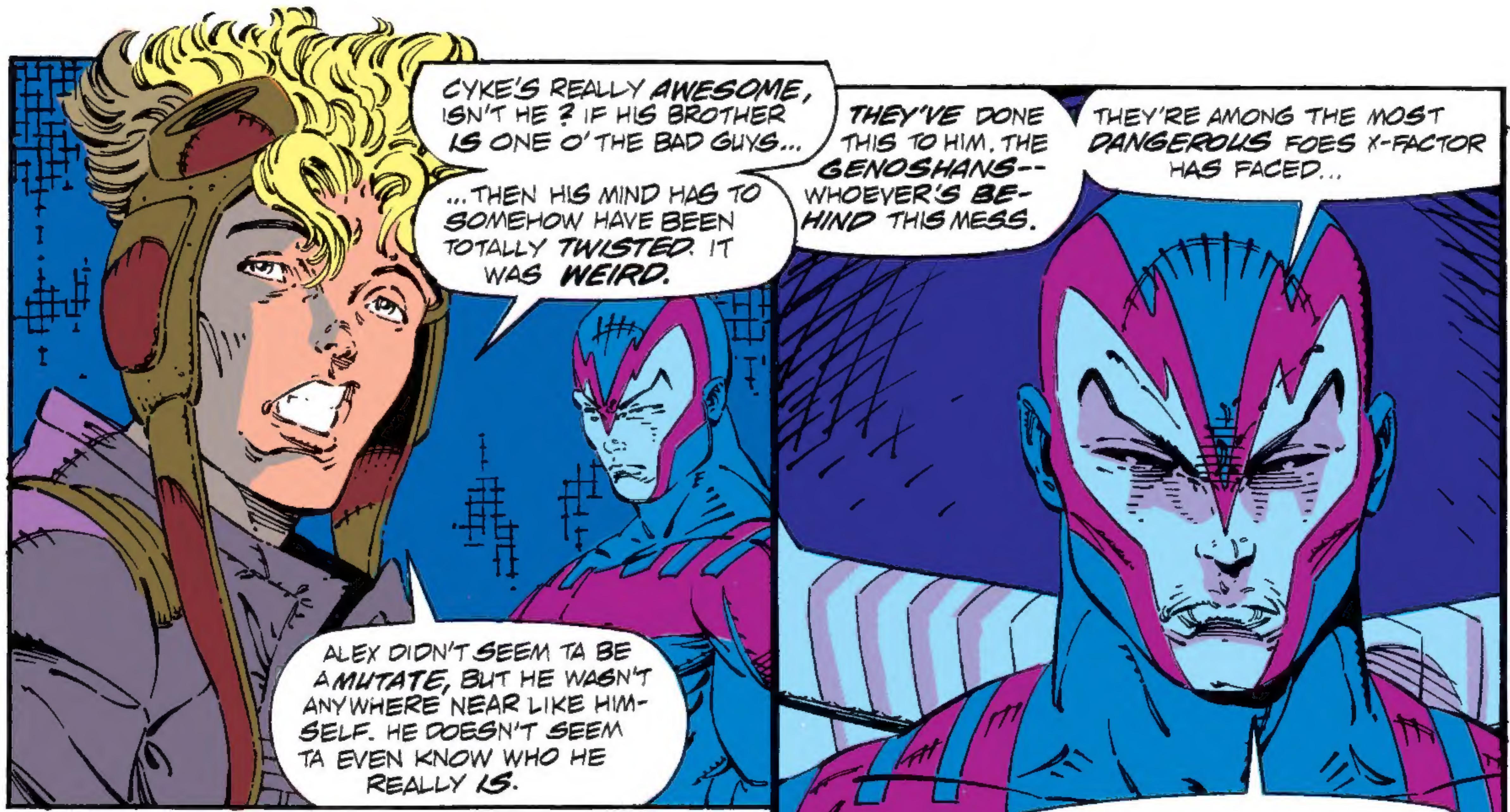


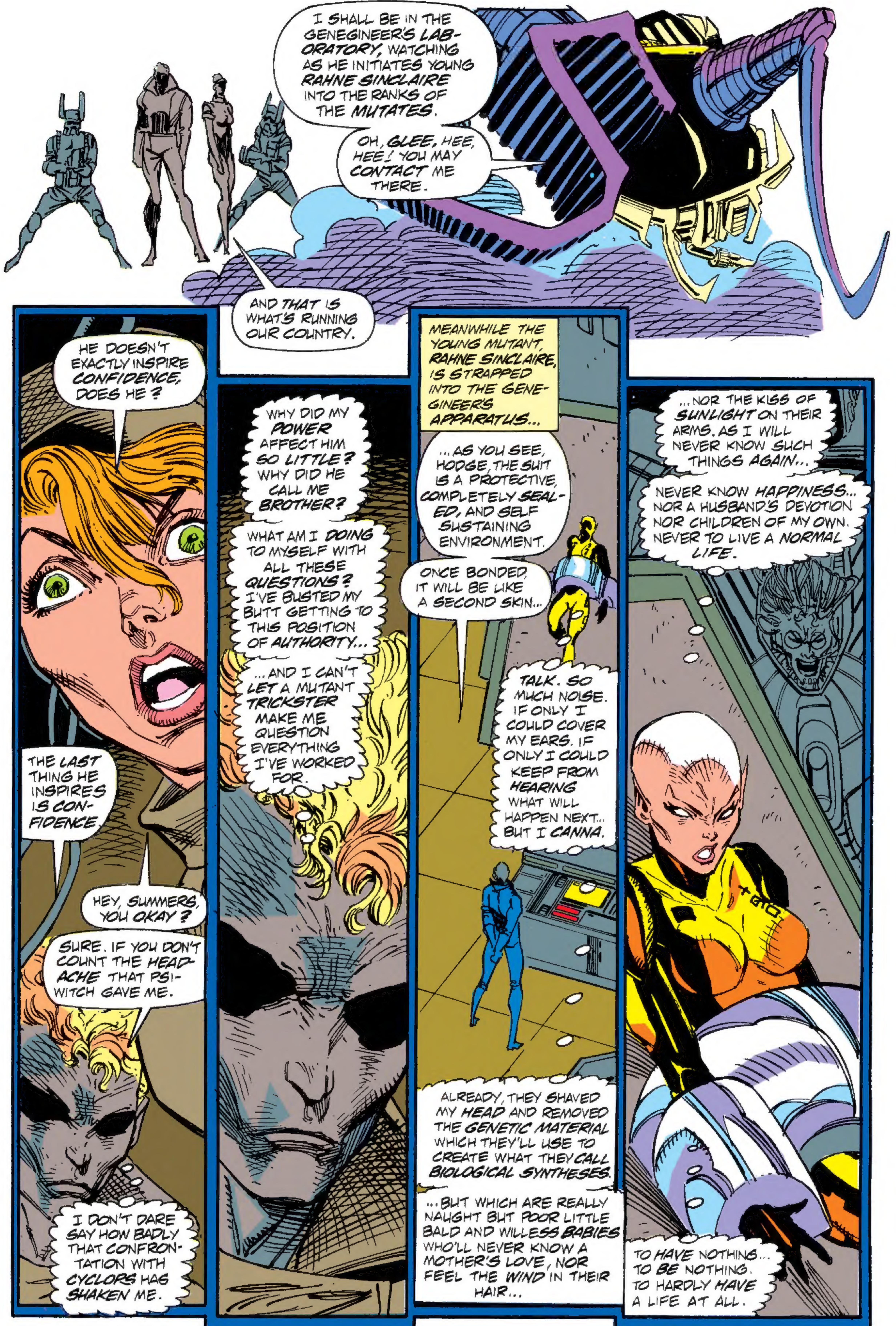


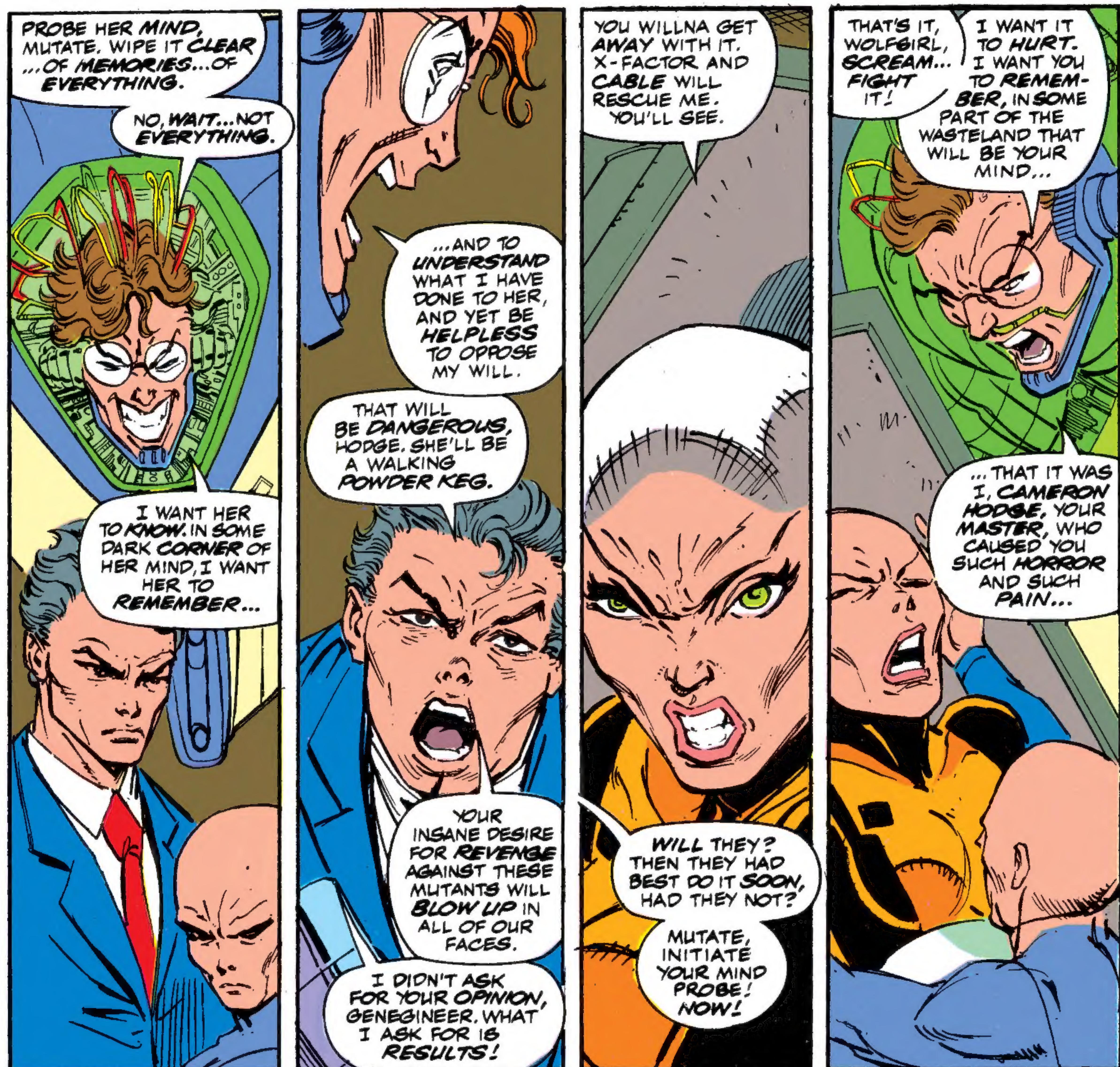
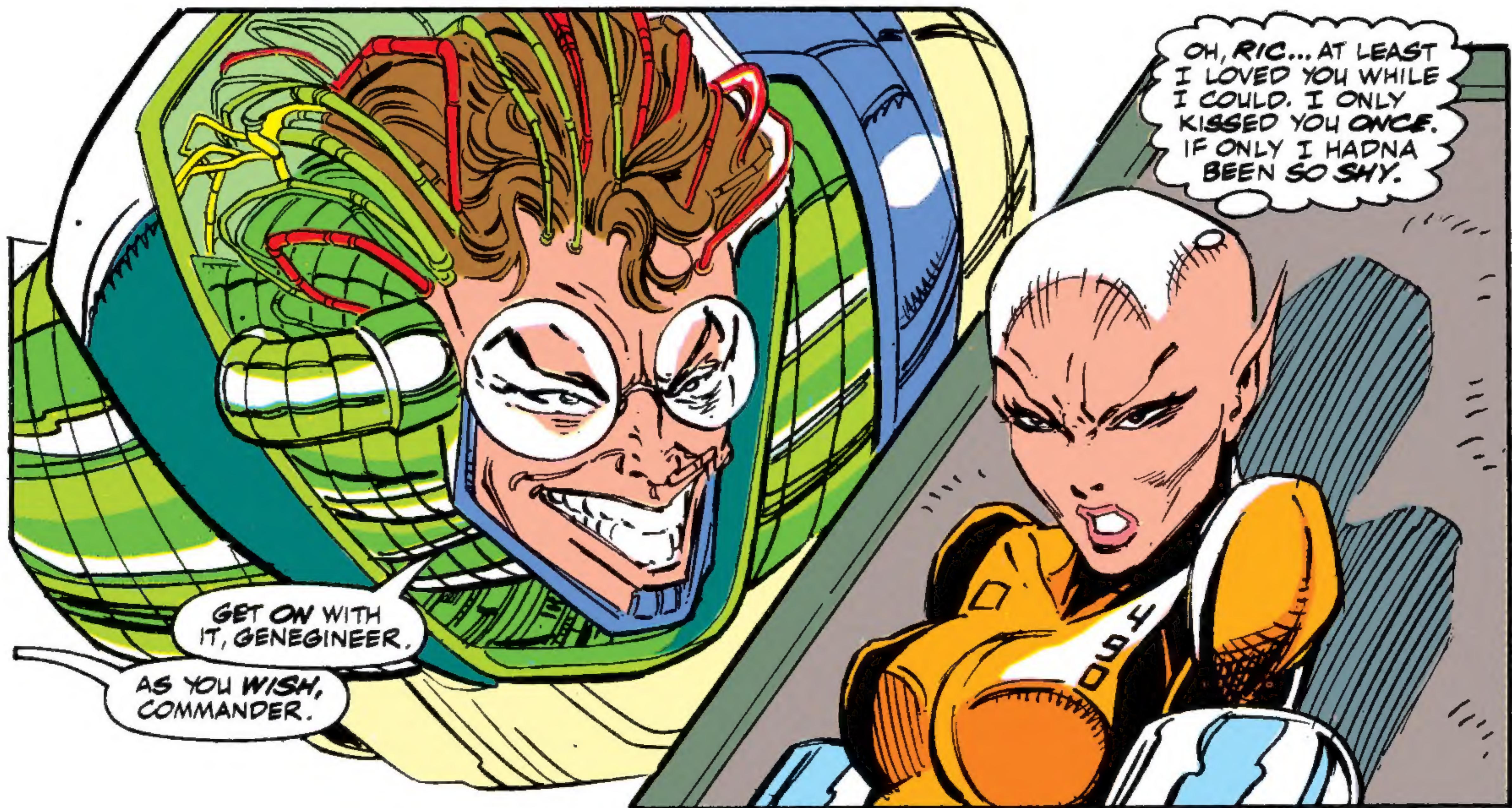












MEANWHILE, IN A LESS AFFLUENT NEIGHBORHOOD, RICTOR, BOOM-BOOM, AND JUBILEE COLLAPSE AGAINST THE BACK WALL OF A RUN-DOWN TENEMENT.

WE'VE BEEN RUNNING ALL NIGHT...

PROBABLY IN CIRCLES. WE'VE LOST SIGHT OF THE CITADEL... BUT I THINK WE'VE FINALLY LOST THE MAGISTRATES, TOO.

I'M STARVING. ALL THAT EXERCISE, I GUESS.

YOU KNOW, IF WE COULD, LIKE, FIND AN EMPTY APARTMENT, WE COULD SCROUNGE SOME FOOD THERE.

NOT A BAD IDEA... FOR ONCE.

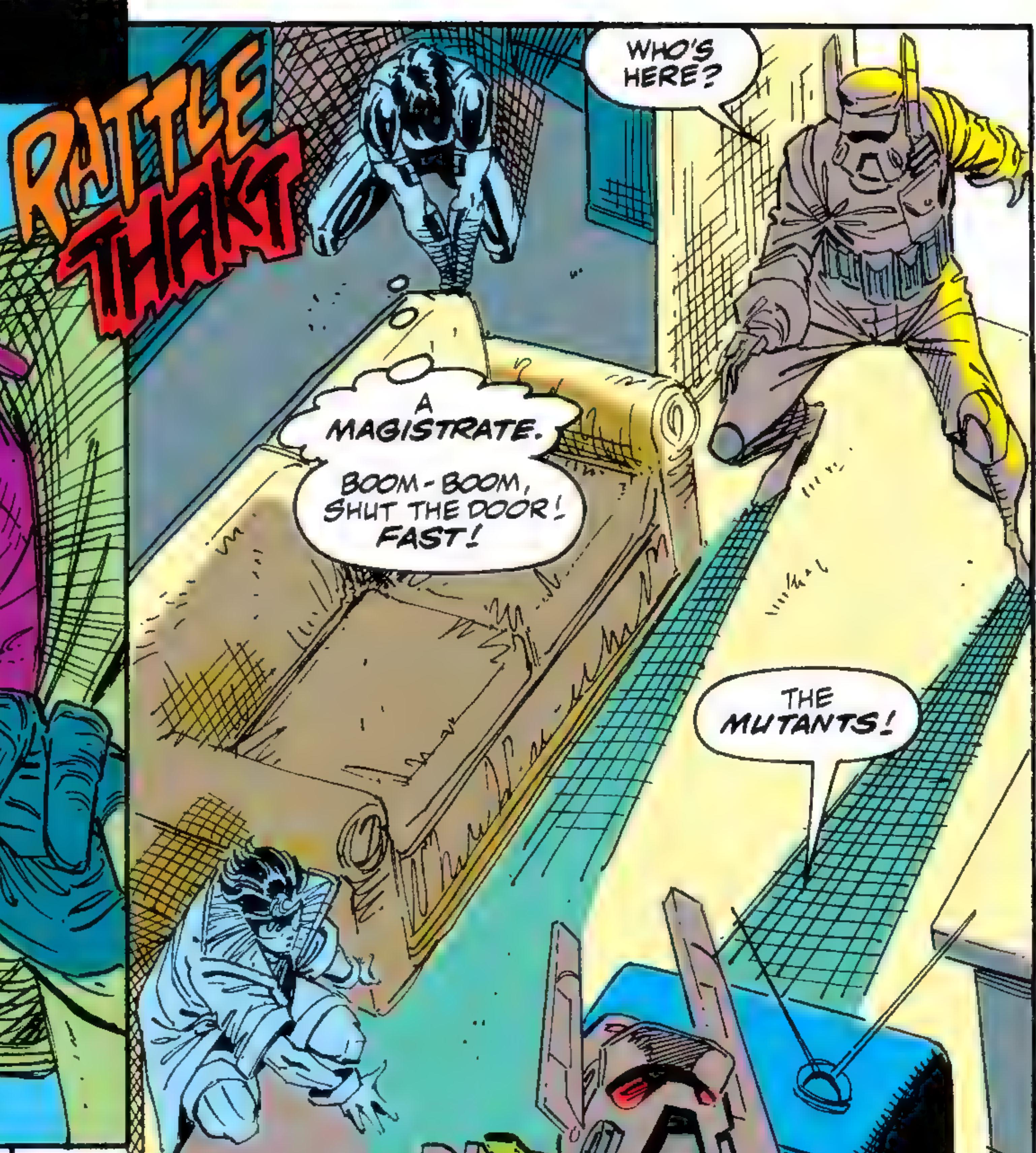
ALL RIGHT, TRACKER. TIME TO EARN YOUR KEEP. PICK OUT AN EMPTY APARTMENT...

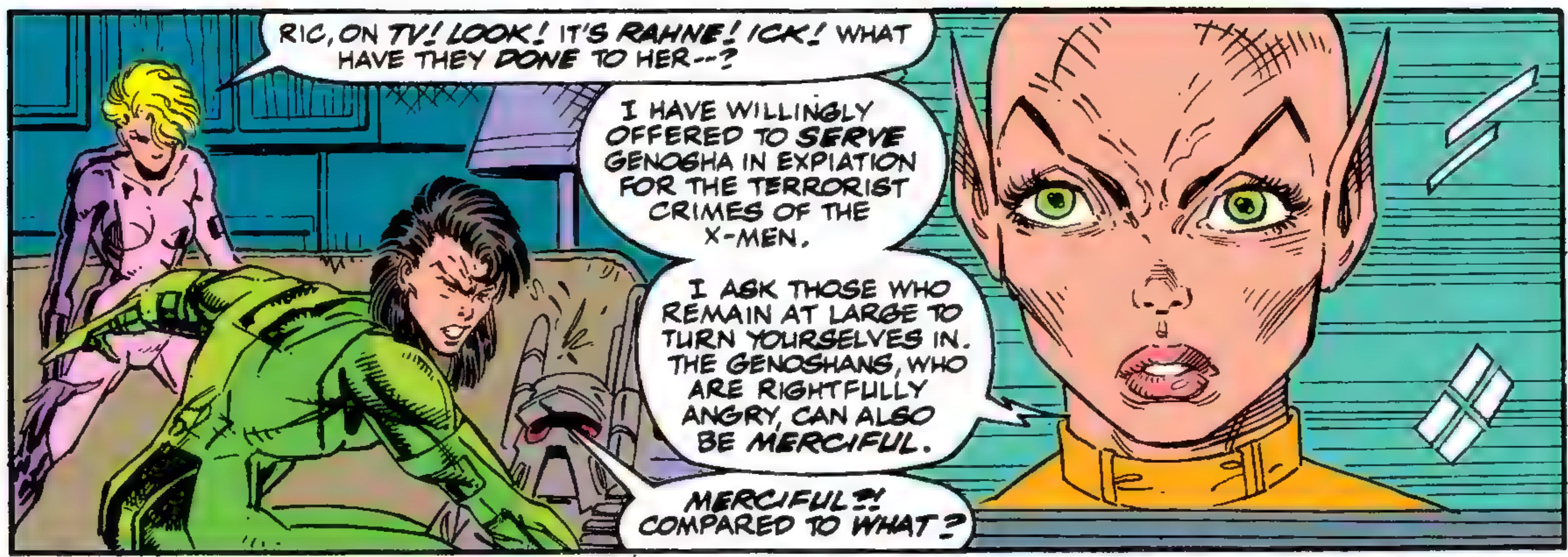
...OR ONE OF MY FIRECRACKERS IS GONNA BURN YOUR TAIL!

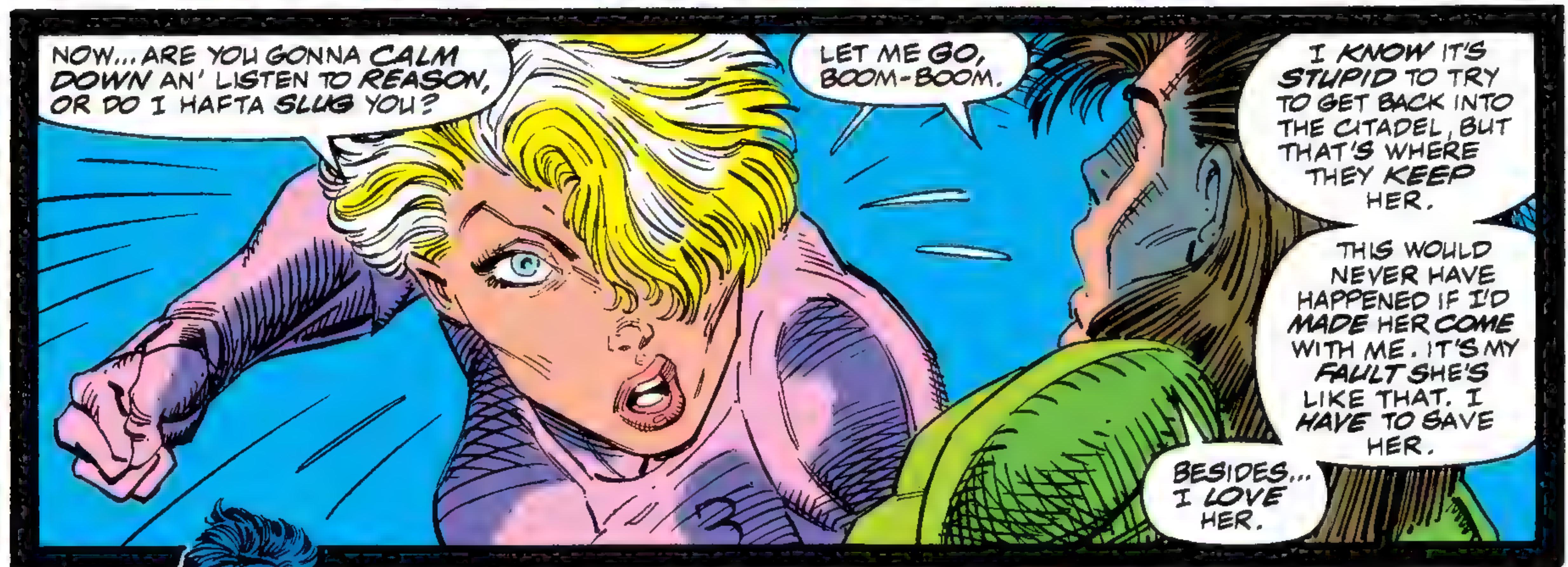
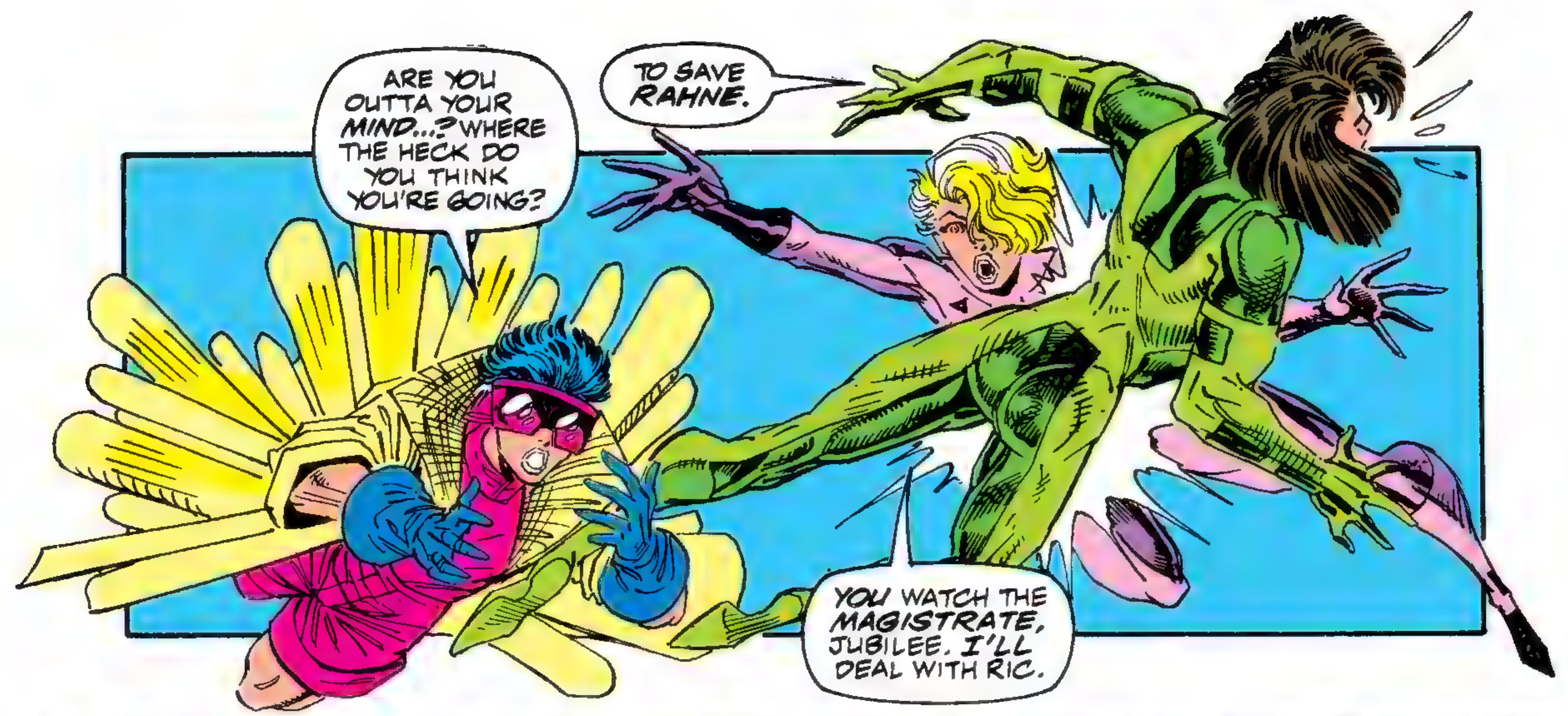
AND SOON...

IT IS EMPTY. I GUESS BRINGING OLD BALDY ALONG WASN'T SUCH A BAD IDEA, AFTER ALL.

ALL RIGHT! THE APARTMENT IS EMPTY, AND THE FRIDGE IS FULL. WHAT MORE CAN WE ASK...

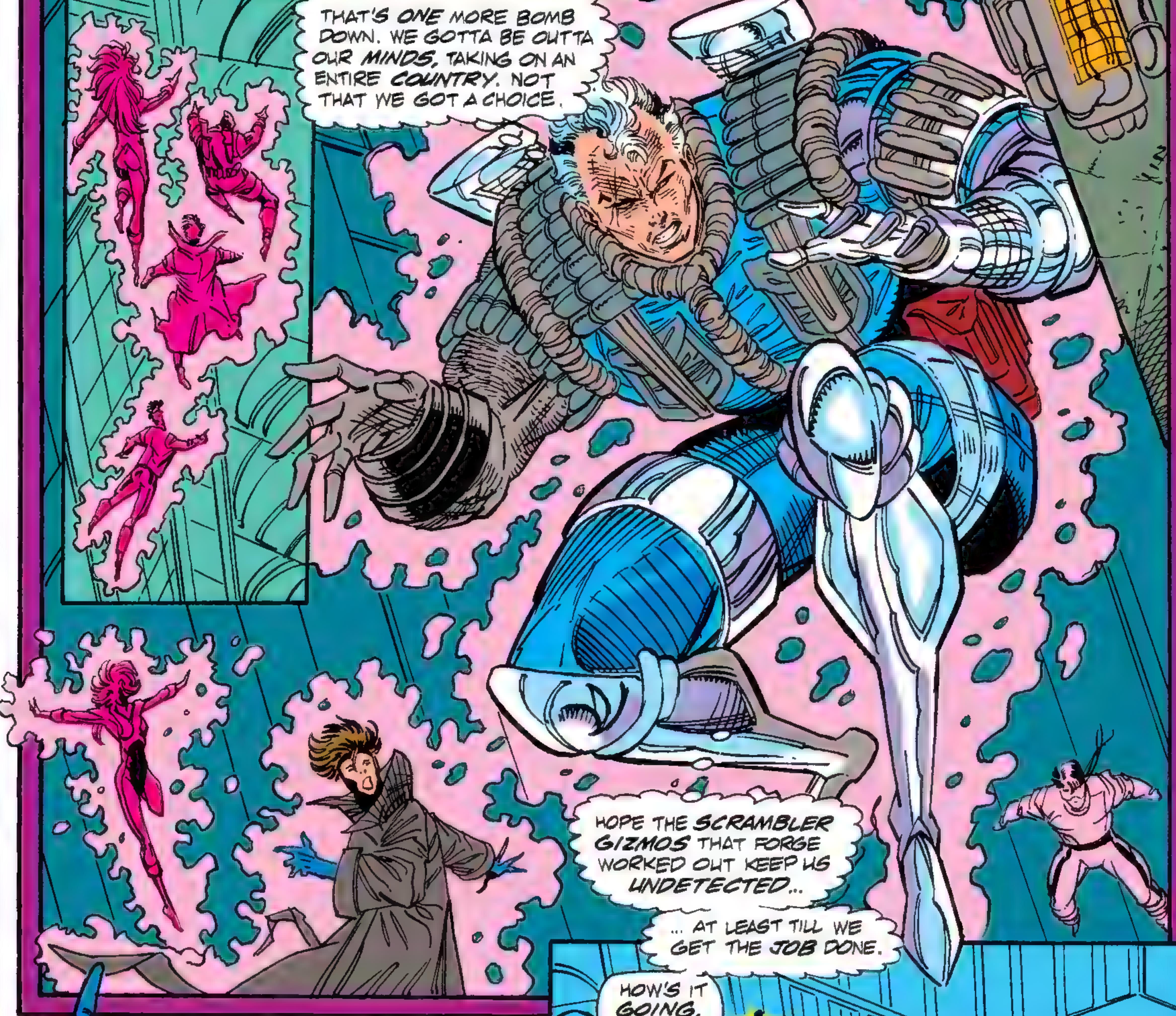






MEANWHILE, MARVEL GIRL HOVERS TELEKINETICALLY LIFTING CABLE, FORGE, GAMBIT AND SUNSPOT TO THEIR POSITIONS AROUND THE CITADEL...

THAT'S ONE MORE BOMB DOWN. WE GOTTA BE OUTTA OUR MINDS, TAKING ON AN ENTIRE COUNTRY. NOT THAT WE GOT A CHOICE.



HOPE THE SCRAMBLER GIZMOS THAT FORGE WORKED OUT KEEP US UNDETECTED...

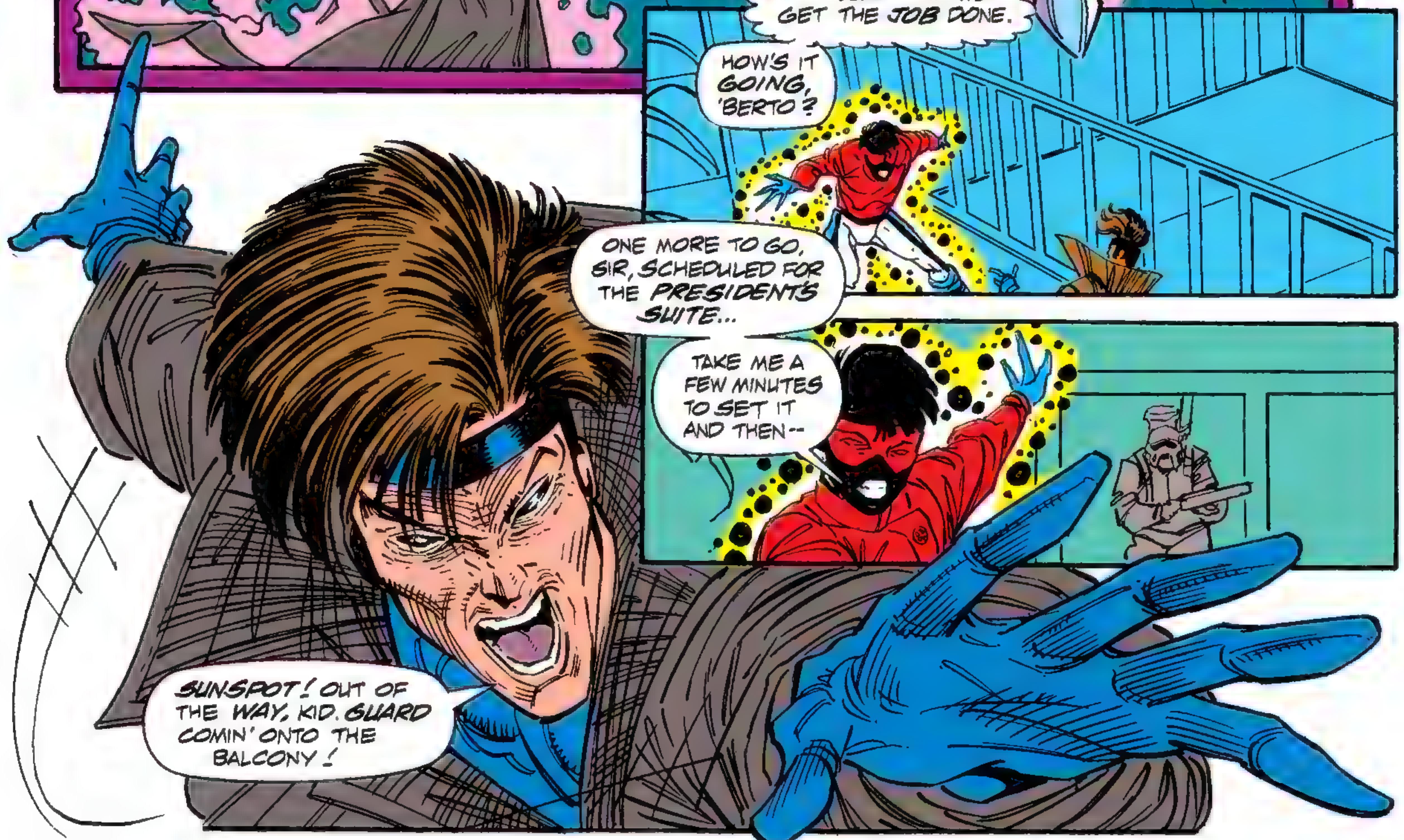
...AT LEAST TILL WE GET THE JOB DONE.

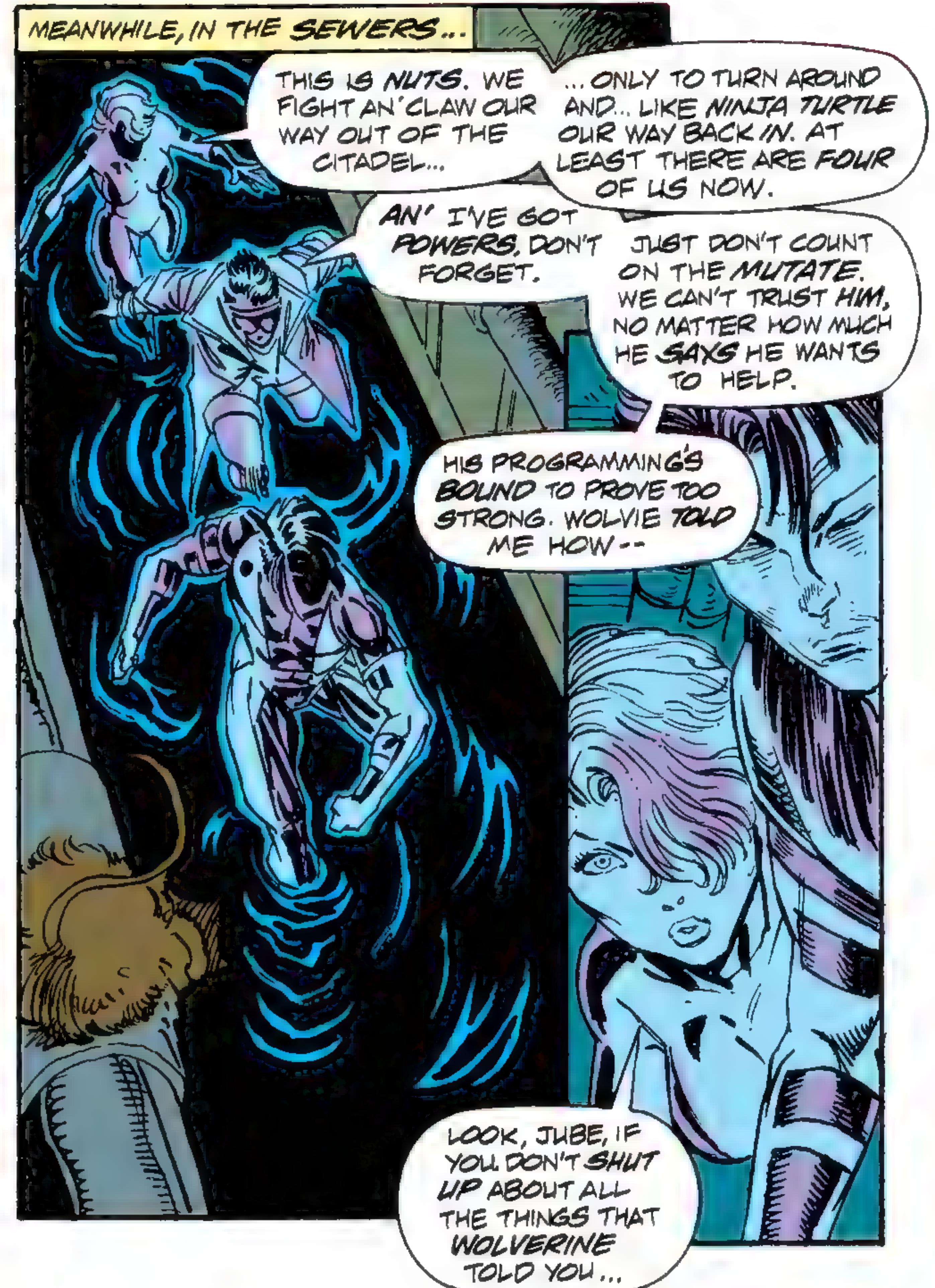
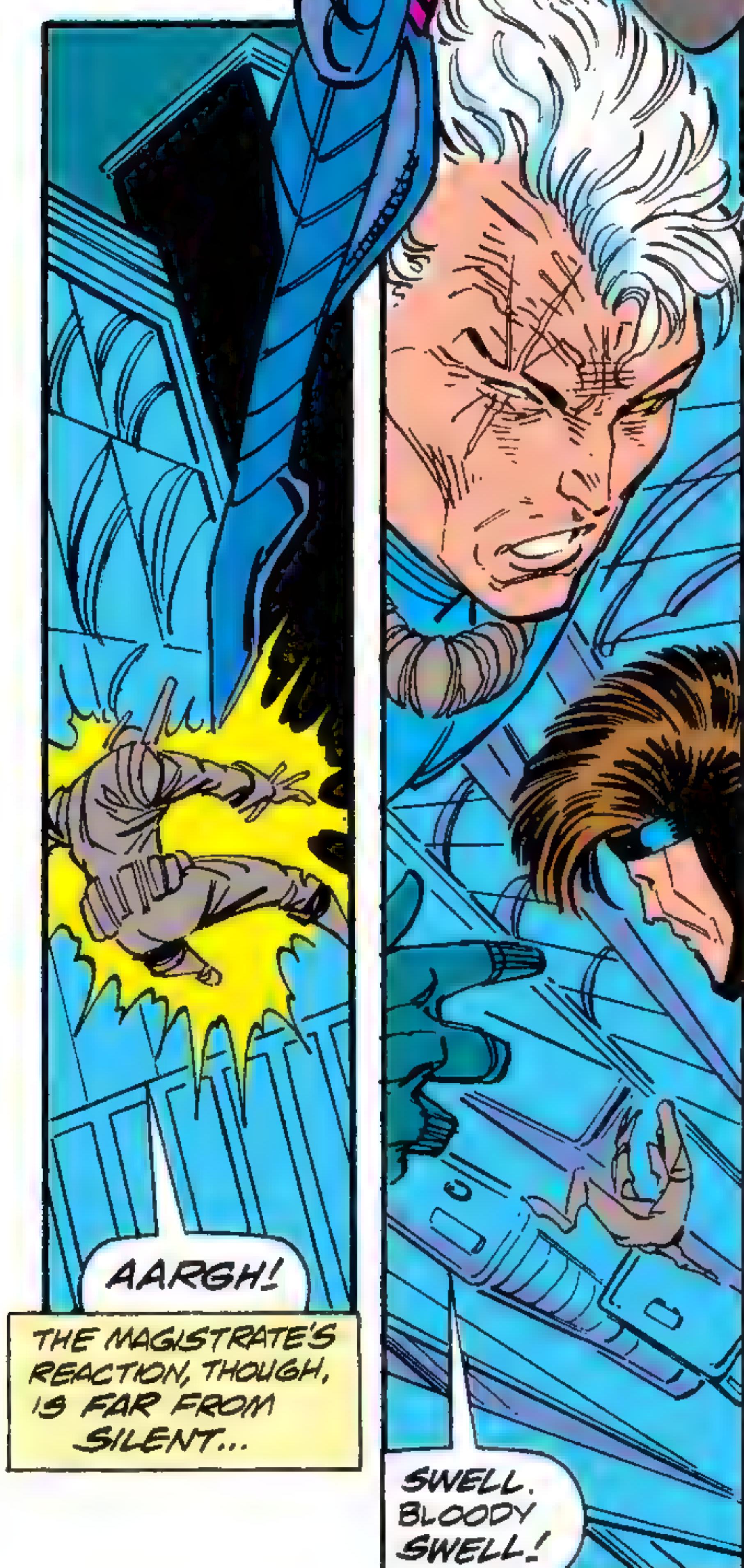
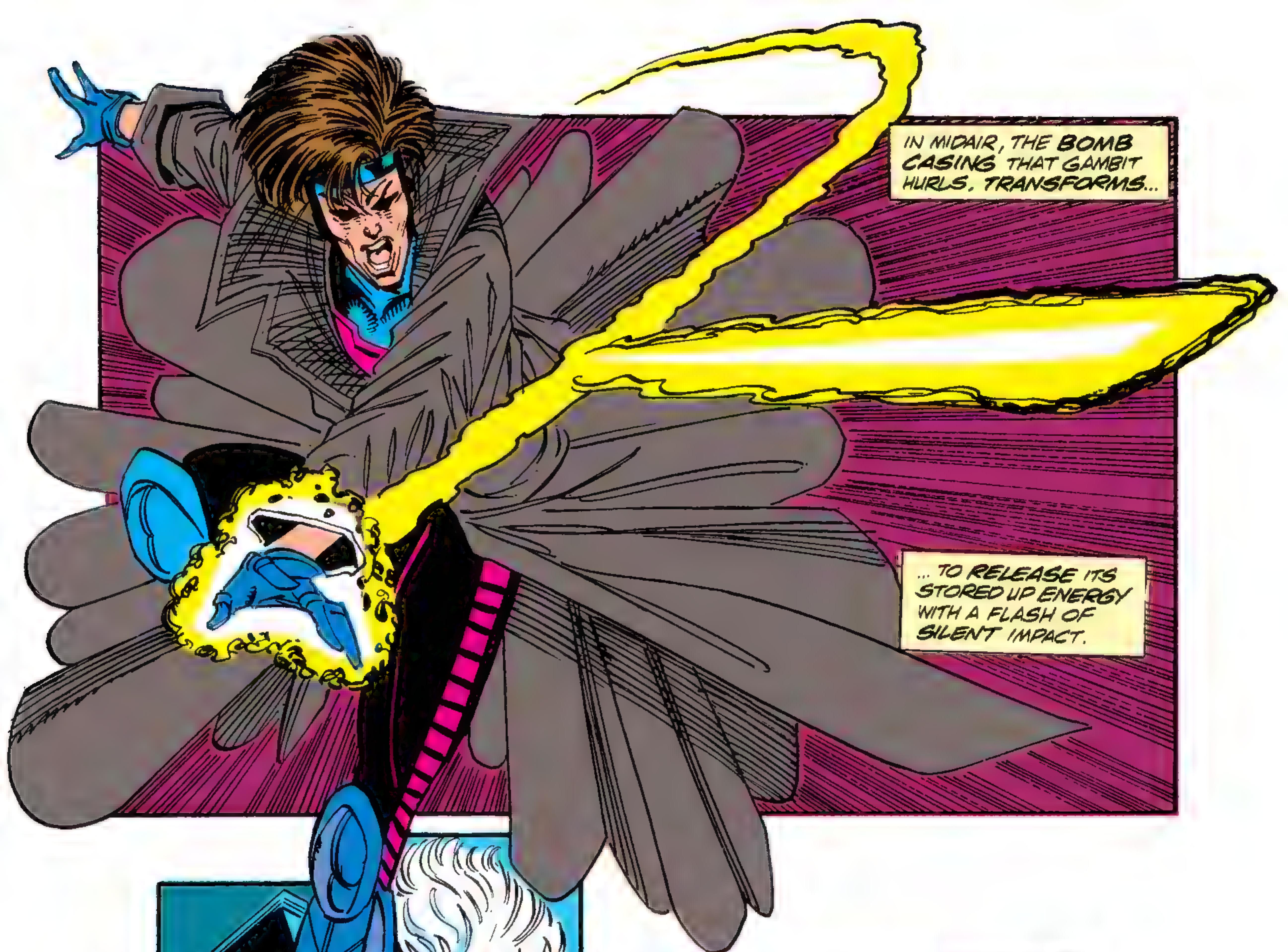
HOW'S IT GOING, 'BERTO?

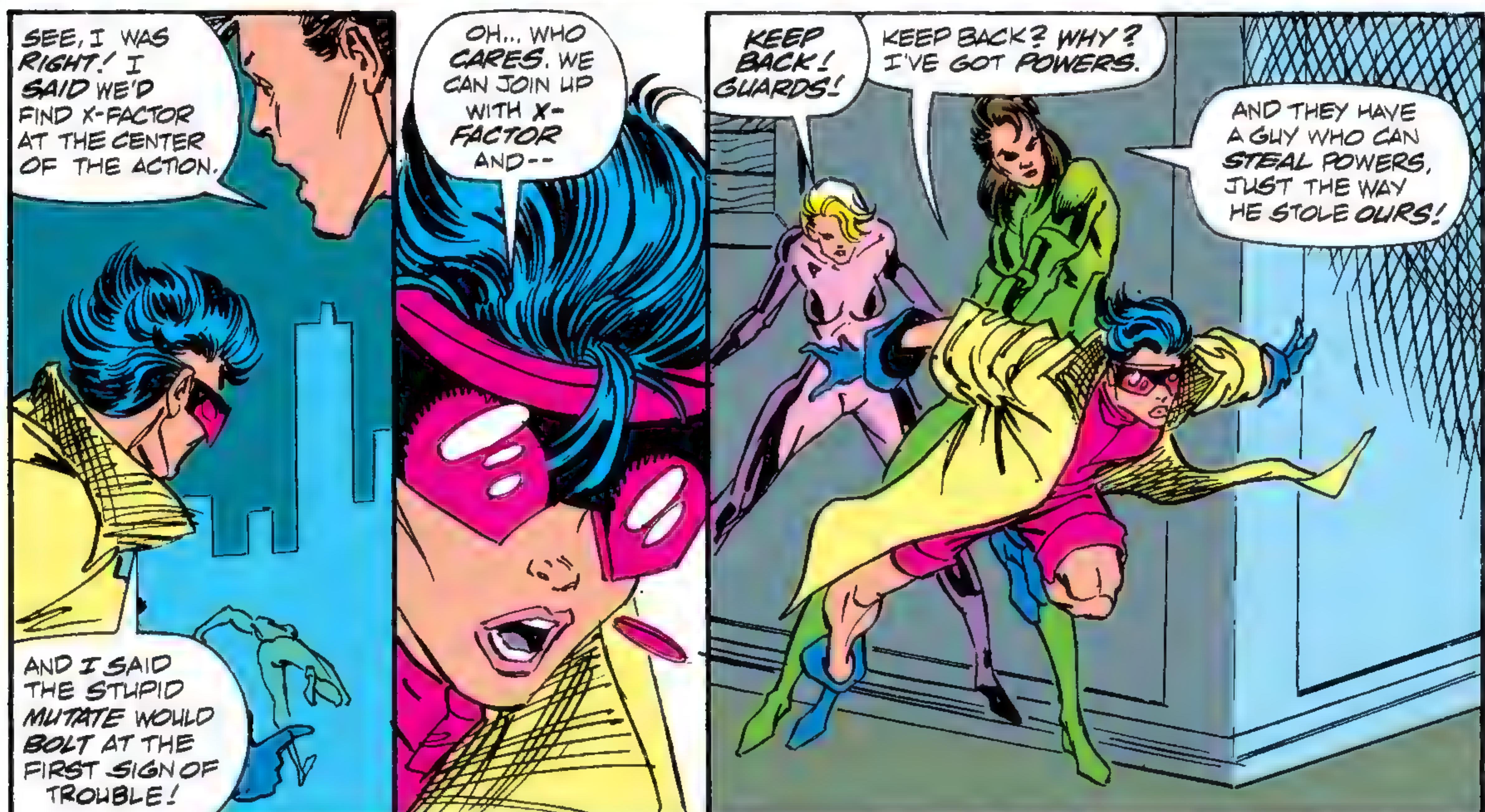
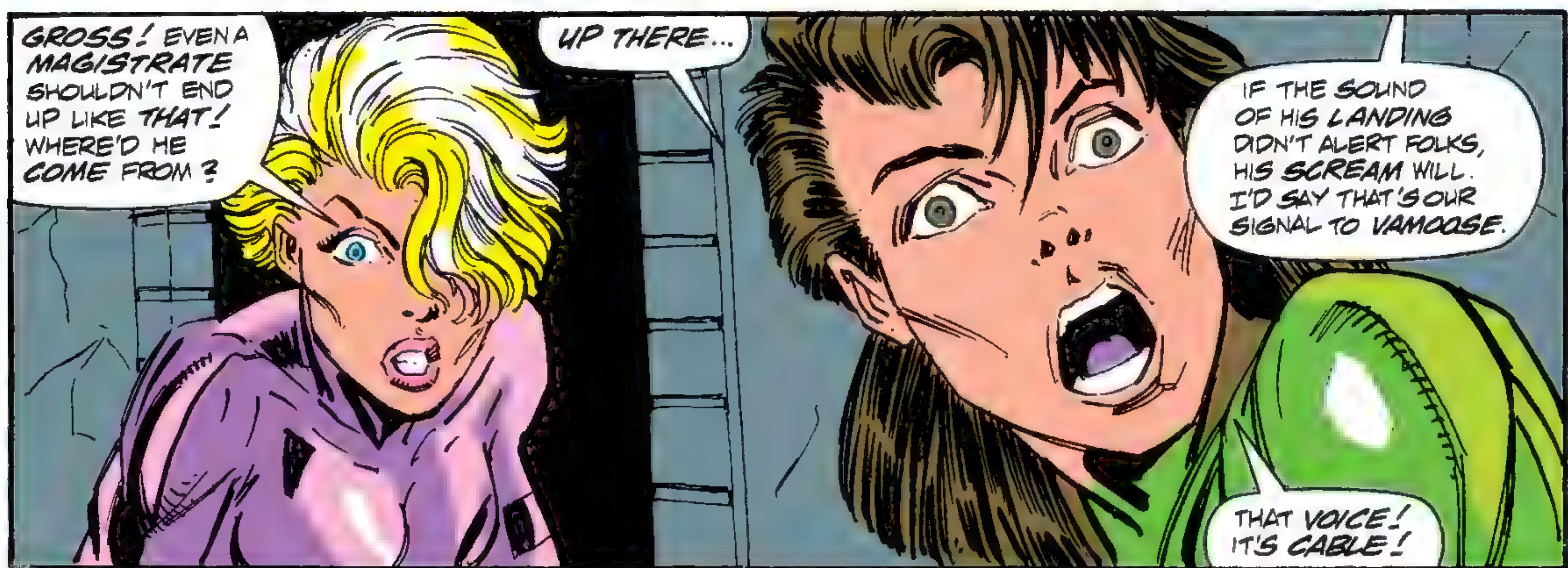
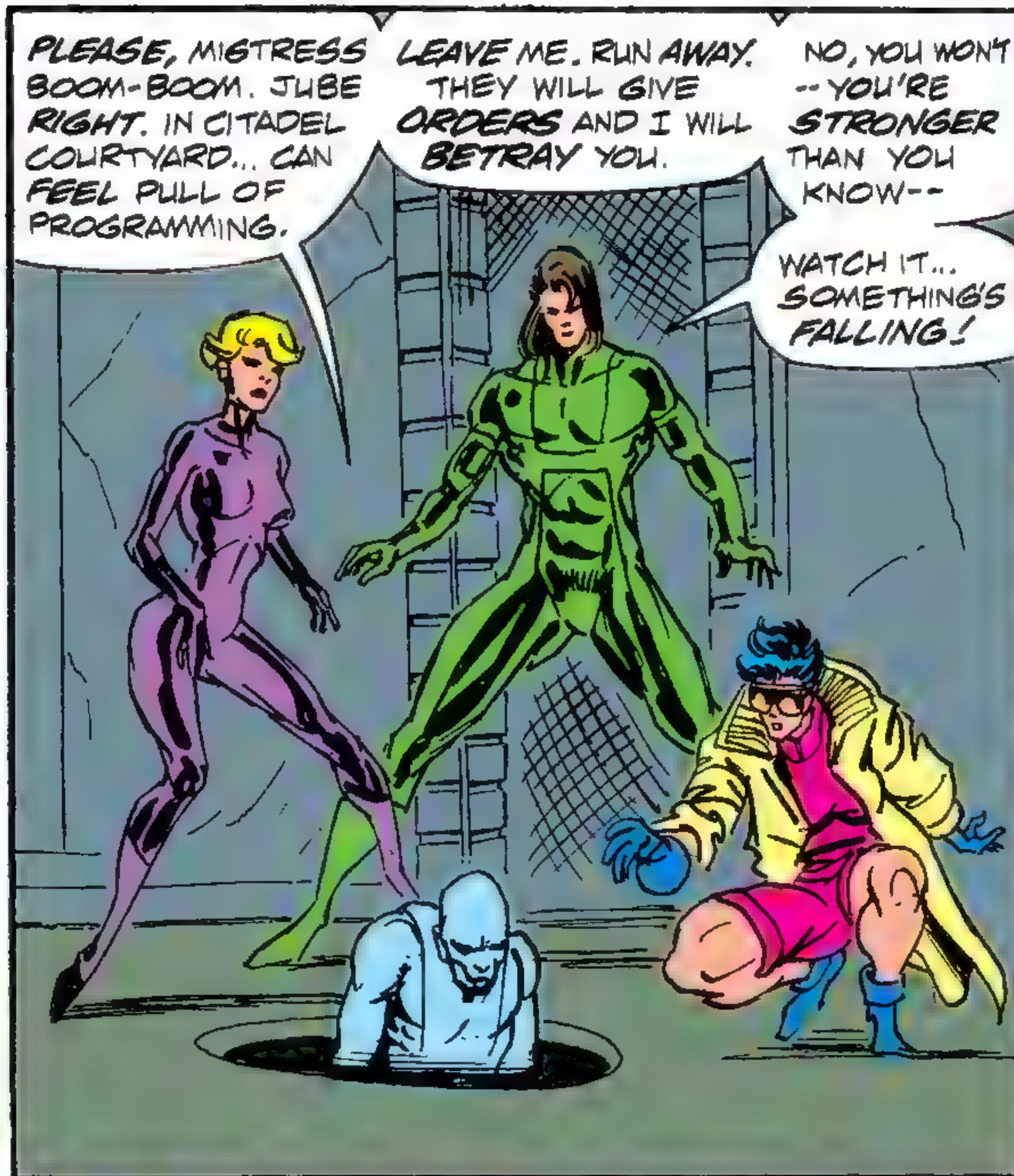
ONE MORE TO GO, SIR, SCHEDULED FOR THE PRESIDENT'S SUITE...

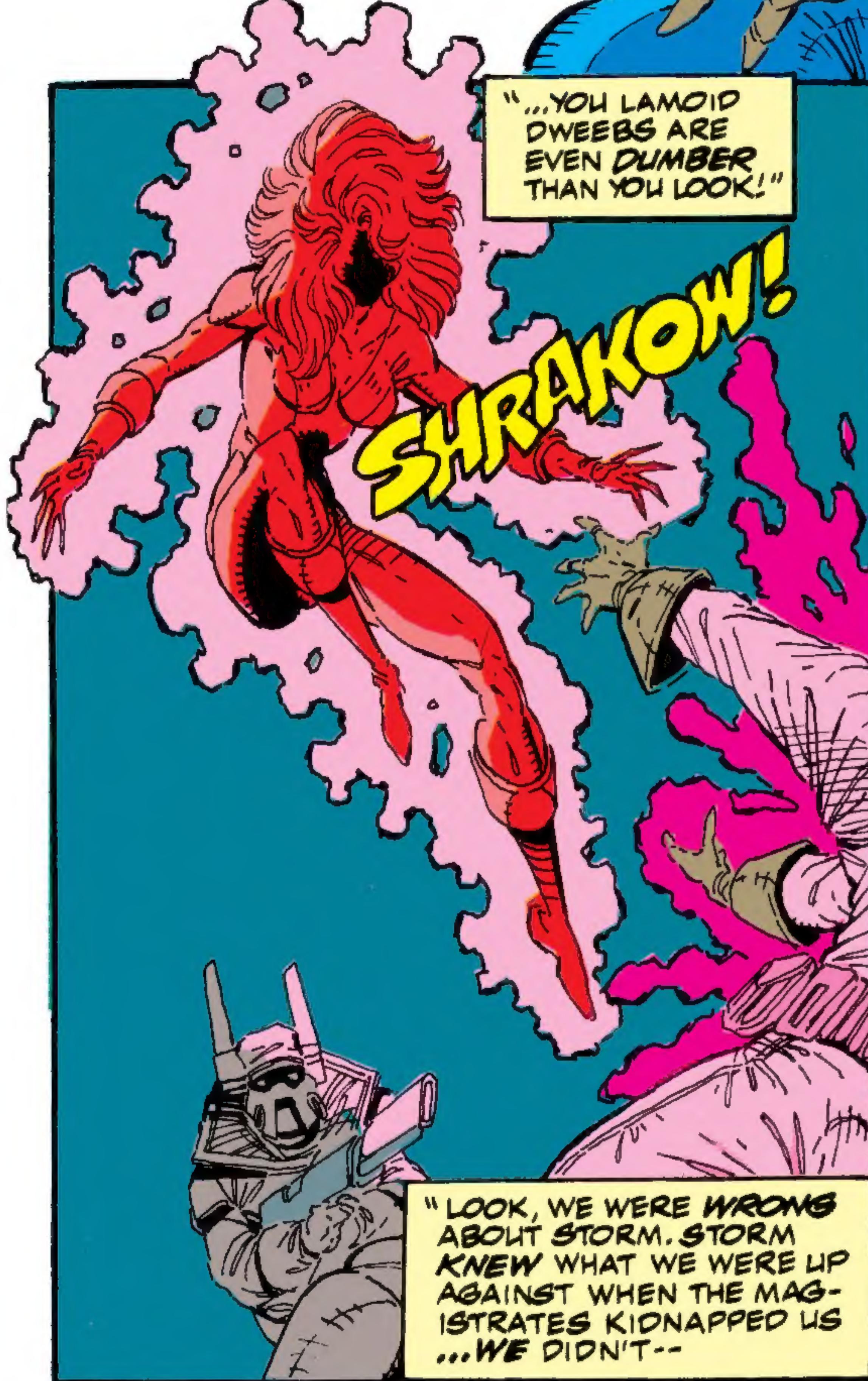
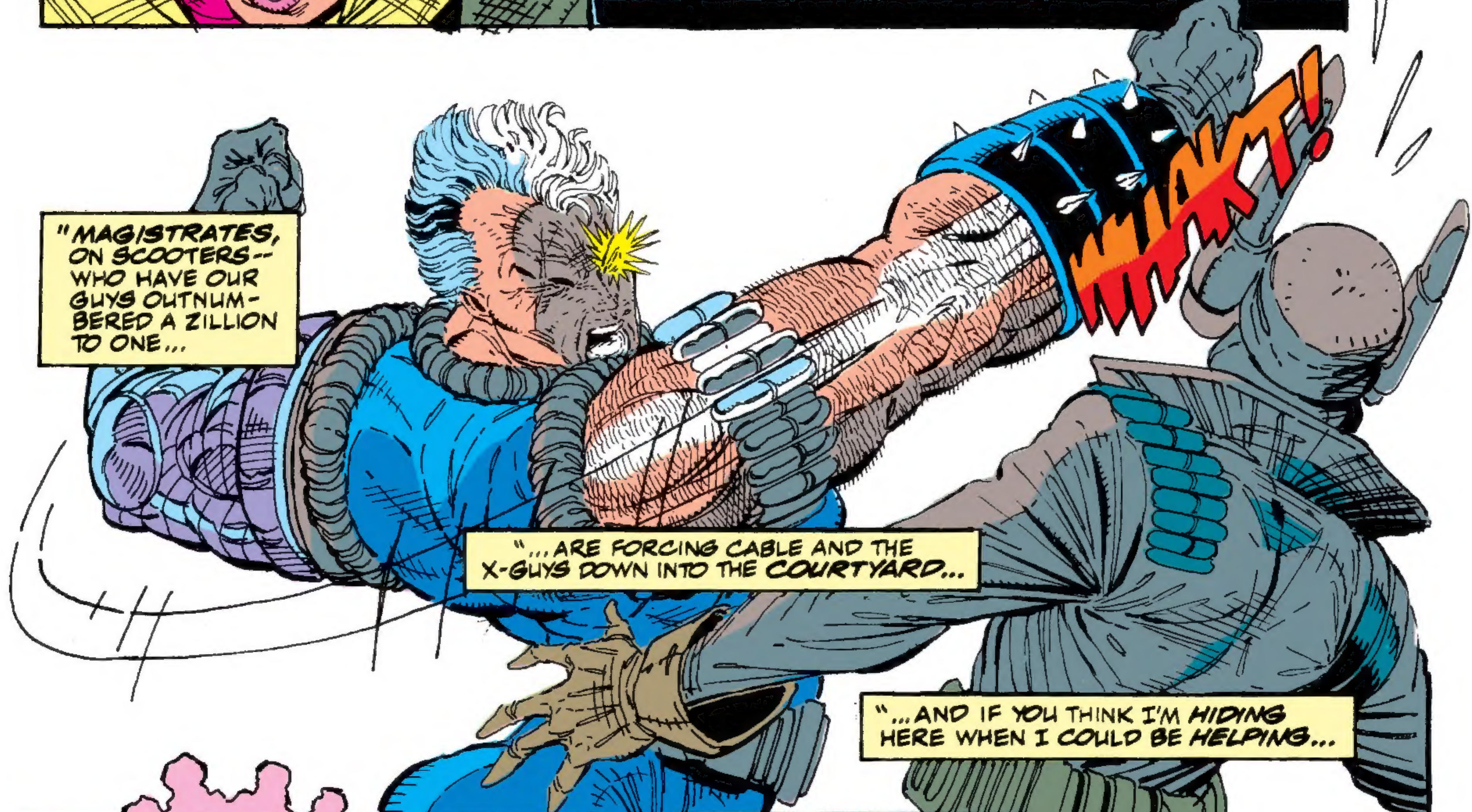
TAKE ME A FEW MINUTES TO SET IT AND THEN--

SUNSPOT! OUT OF THE WAY, KID. GUARD COMIN' ONTO THE BALCONY!

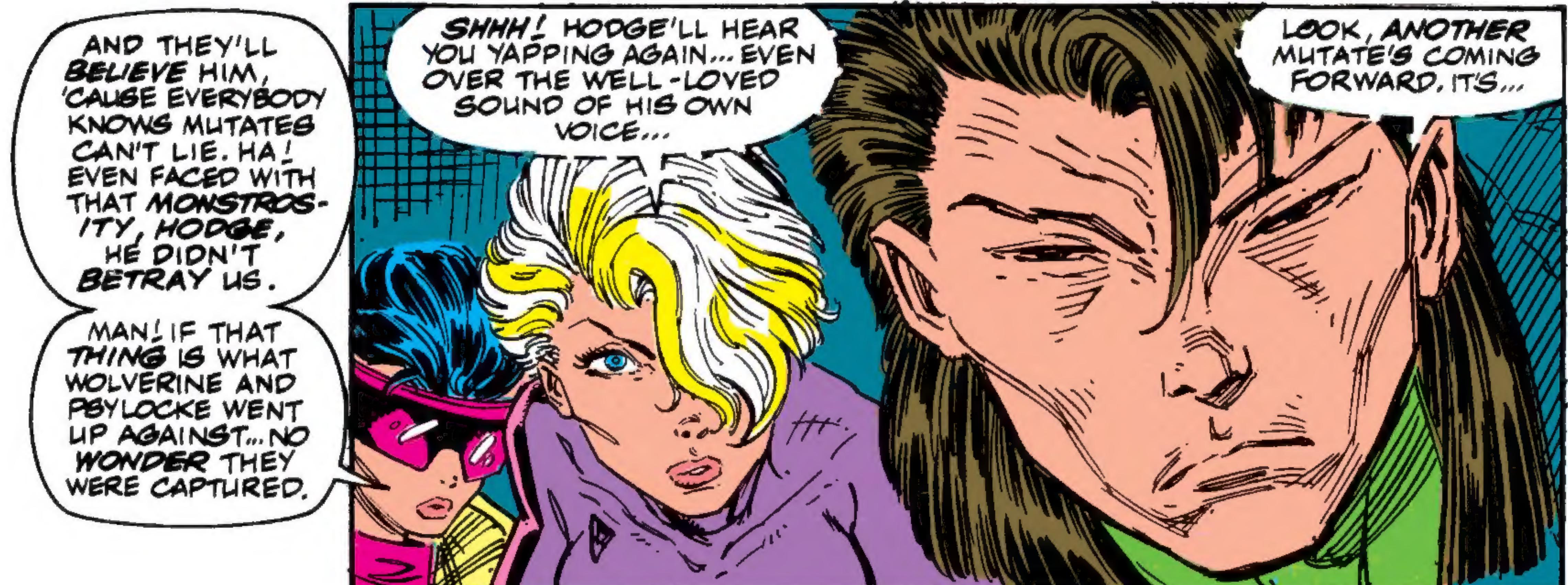
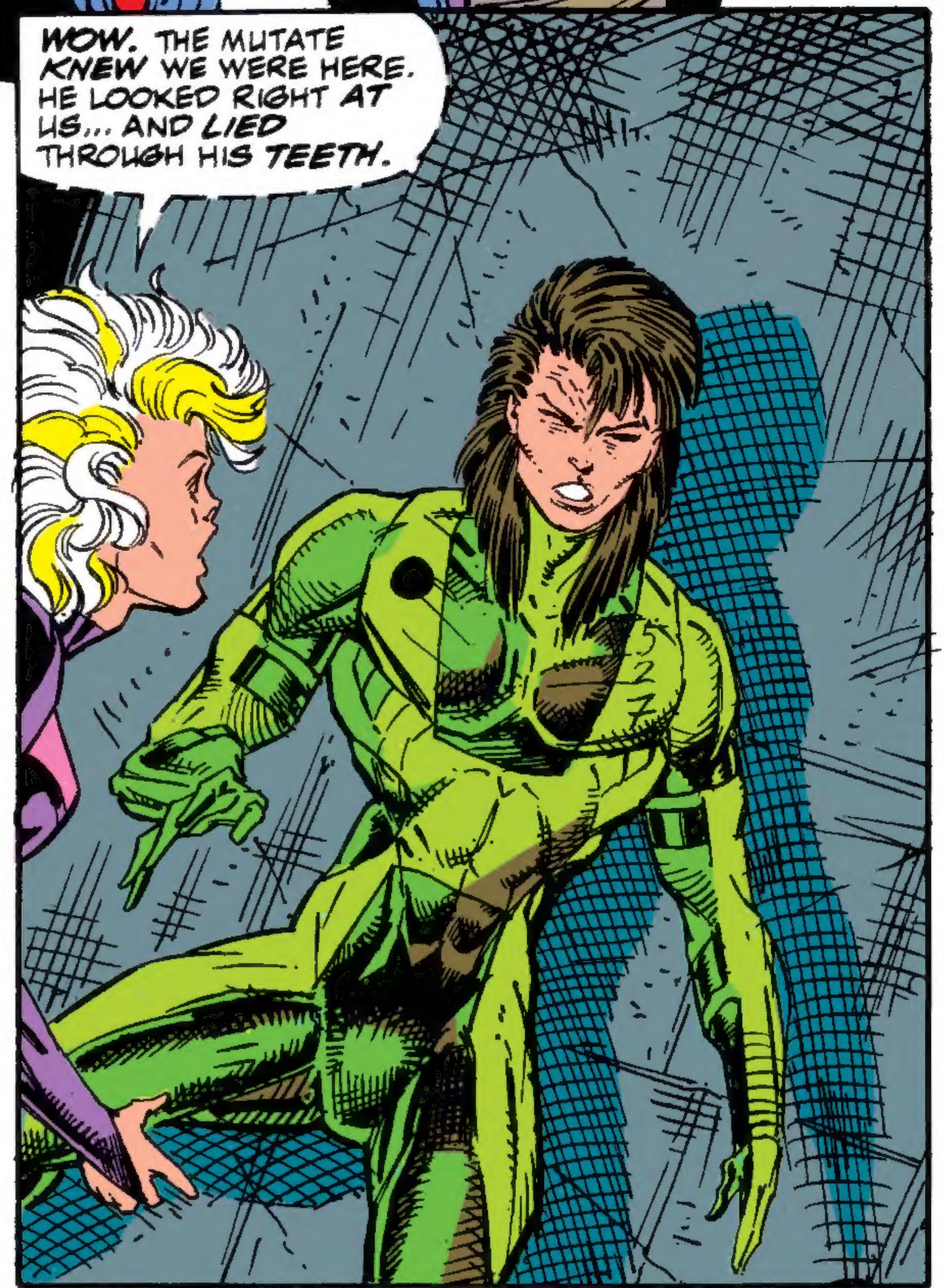
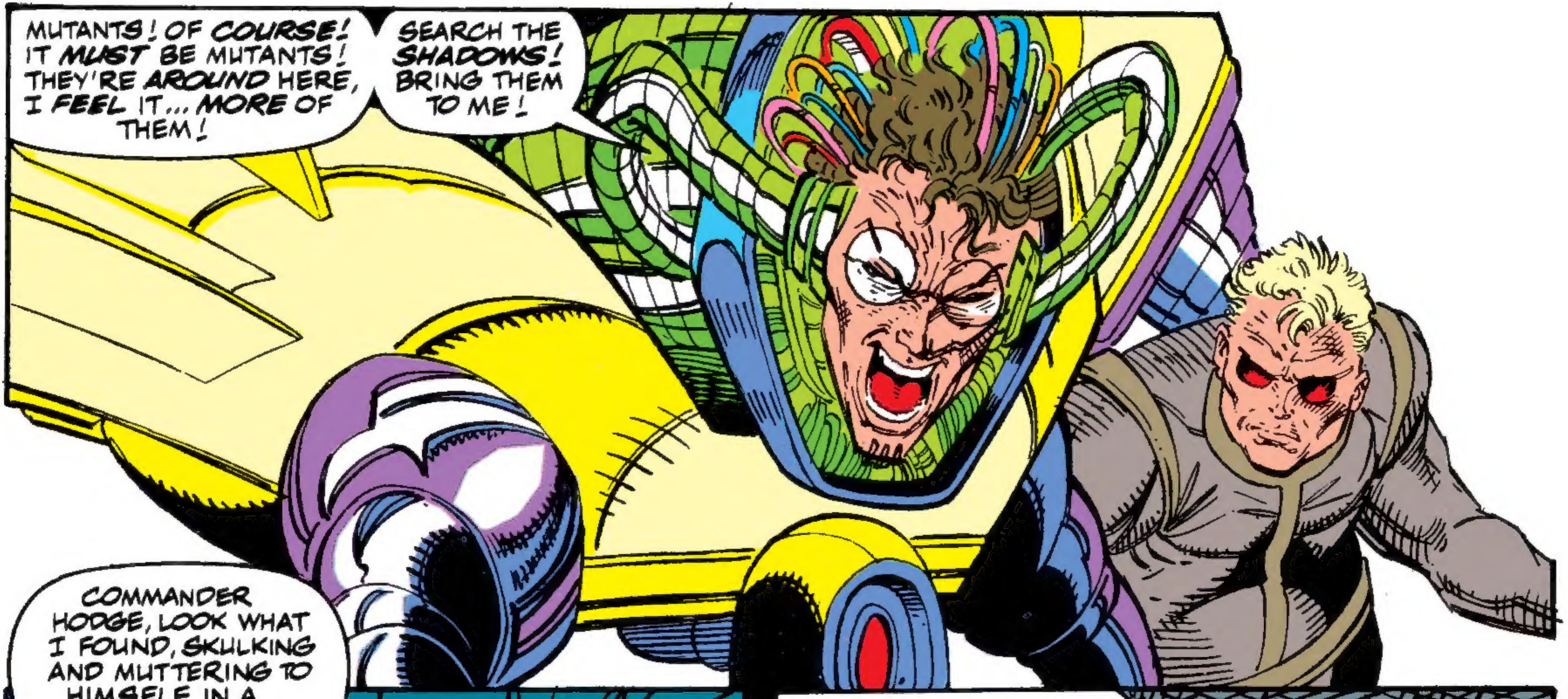


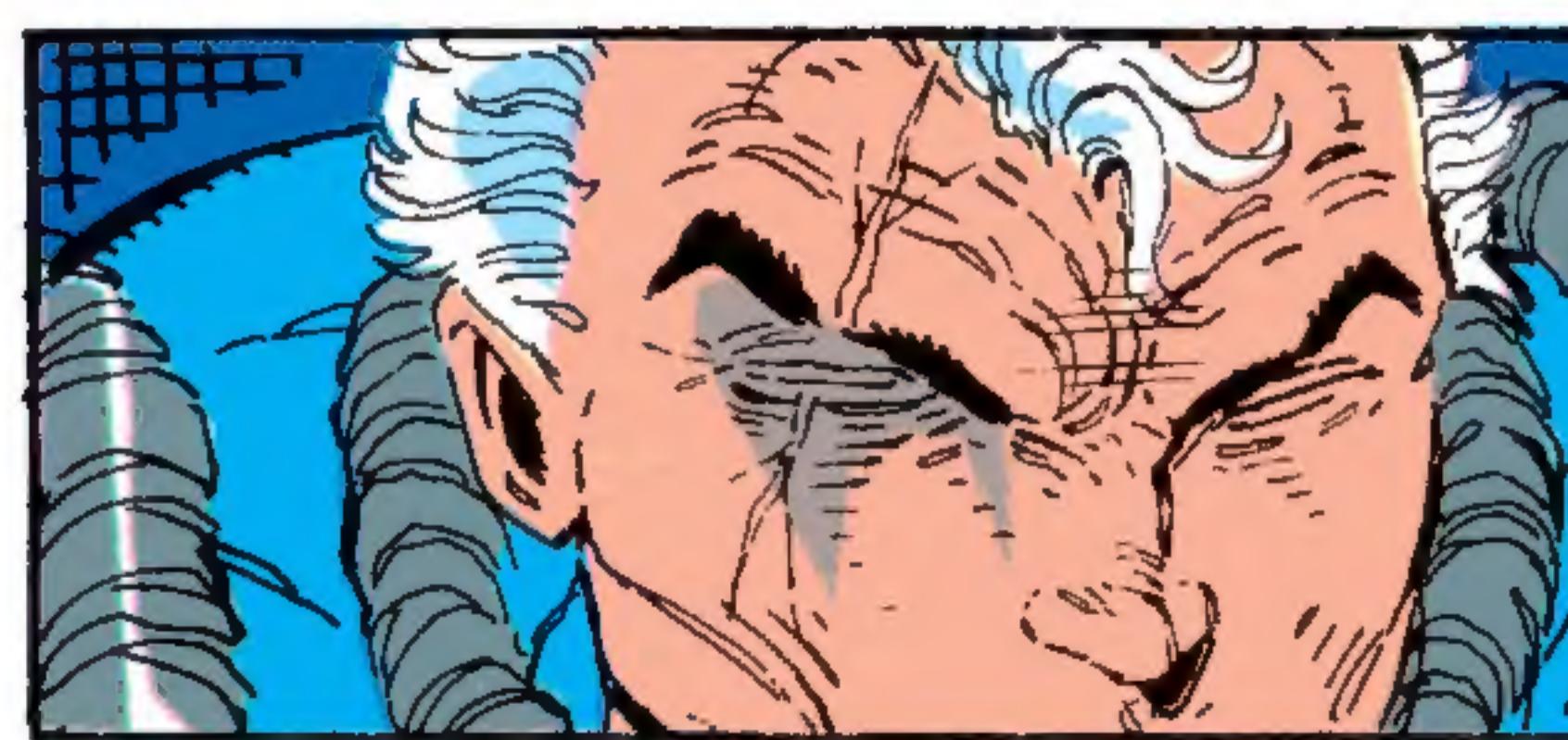
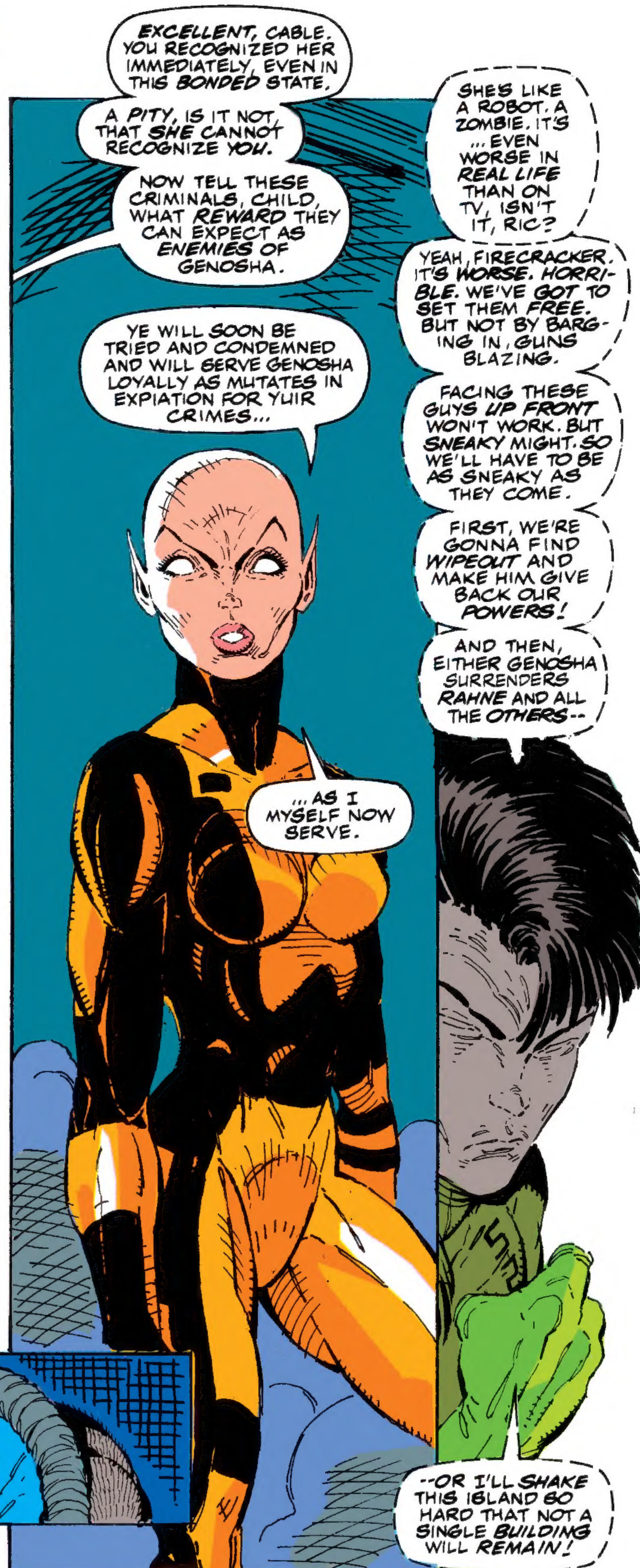
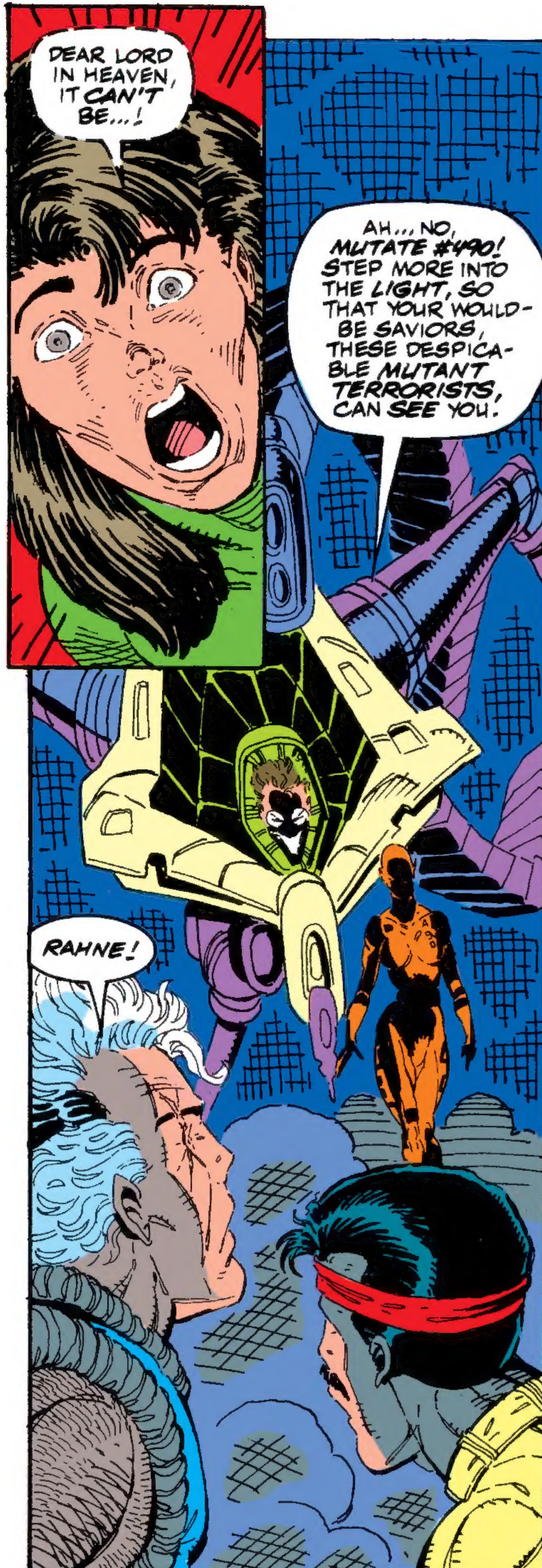












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